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British Medical Association

ANNUAL REPRESENTATIVE MEETING, DUBLIN, 1933

The Annual Representative Meeting of the British Medical Association will be held in the Royal Dublin Society Hall, Dublin, on Friday, Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday, July 21st, 22nd, 24th, and 25th.

RESOLUTIONS BY DIVISIONS AND BRANCHES FOR THE REPRESENTATIVE BODY, TOGETHER WITH RELEVANT RECOMMENDATIONS OF COUNCIL

(NOTE: *This includes only those Recommendations of Council contained in the Annual Report to which amendments have been sent in; also any Motions from Divisions and Branches of which two months' notice must be given.*)

ANNUAL MEETING, 1935

Motion by COUNCIL: That the Annual Meeting of the Association in 1935 be held in early September in Melbourne, Australia.

Amendment by BRIGHTON: That whilst fully appreciating the cordial invitation received to hold the Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association in Melbourne, Australia, in 1935, and with every desire to hold such a meeting at an early date, this Representative Body does not consider it desirable to accept the invitation for 1935, in view of the financial situation, and the cost to the Association of the attendance of honorary officers and officials; that an Annual Meeting has been held recently in Canada; the deprivation of a scientific meeting for the members resident in the United Kingdom; and the very limited numbers who would be likely to attend from Great Britain in 1935, if any.

FUTURE ANNUAL REPRESENTATIVE MEETINGS

Motion by TORQUAY: That this Annual Representative Meeting urges the Association to hold all future Annual Representative Meetings in London, in view of the economies which would thereby be effected.

LAW RELATING TO ABORTION

Motion by BRIGHTON: That (with reference to para. 17 of Annual Report of Council) the Council be instructed to proceed during the coming year to the promotion of the committee foreshadowed at the A.R.M., London, 1932, on the law of abortion.

Motion by WARRINGTON: That (with reference to para. 17 of Annual Report of Council) the Council be instructed to give effect to Minute 143 of A.R.M., 1932, by setting up a special committee to consider the law of abortion, as soon as the work of the special committees on nutrition and the medical curriculum set up by the Council in 1932–3 has been completed.

[*Minute* 143 *of A.R.M.*, 1932.—Resolved: That the Council consider the question of setting up a special committee, including members of the legal profession, when the finances of the Association allow this to be done, to consider any modification or modifications of the law dealing with abortion.]

FINANCES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Motion by MARYLEBONE: That the Council be congratulated on the excellence of its financial statement for the past year in times of much difficulty, and it be urged to continue to exercise the strictest economy in view of the heavy commitment of the Association.

B.M.A. AND MEDICAL DEFENCE

Motion by AYRSHIRE: That the British Medical Association consider the advisability of forming a Defence Society within itself.

POLICY OF ASSOCIATION AND CAPITATION GRANT TO BRANCHES

Motion by BRIGHTON: That in the opinion of this Annual Representative Meeting, the Council, by means of its Central Committees and medical staff, having satisfactorily elaborated during the past thirty years the policy of the British Medical Association on the more essential medico-political questions as they affect the United Kingdom, it is desirable that during the coming years the Council, apart from scientific questions, should devote its attention to securing the approval and the adoption of these policies in the various Branch and Division areas

both by the medical profession and by the laity ; it being recognized that such development of local organization will inevitably require a larger initial grant than the present six shillings per head out of a subscription of from two to three guineas (see By-law 31 (1)) ; as it will be found necessary and desirable in order to carry out this proposal effectively to engage whole or part-time clerical assistance with office accommodation for definite areas, as such are approved of from time to time by the Representative Body on the recommendation of the Council.

Motion by BRIGHTON: That for words "not exceeding six shillings" in By-law 31 (1) there be substituted "not exceeding ten shillings."

EXPERIMENTS ON ANIMALS

Motion by BRIGHTON: That a committee be appointed by the Council to consider the whole question of experiments on animals.

RELATION OF ASSOCIATION WITH AGENCY FOR INTRODUCTION OF PATIENTS

Motion by BRISTOL: That (with reference to para. 65 of Annual Report of Council) in the opinion of the Representative Body it is undesirable that the British Medical Bureau should receive a commission for the introduction of patients to doctors.

Motion by MARYLEBONE: That para. 65 of the Annual Report of Council be referred back to the Council.

MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS AND ROAD ACCIDENTS

Motion by COUNCIL: That it is inopportune at the present time to approach the Government with the suggestion that it should assume responsibility for the provision of emergency medical attendance and treatment in all road accident cases.

Motion by BIRMINGHAM CENTRAL: That (with reference to para. 69 of Annual Report of Council) the necessary steps be taken to persuade insurance companies concerned with accidents in connexion with motor vehicles to adopt the following method of procedure in cases of such accidents. The practitioner who has been called out to a street accident where a motor vehicle is involved shall send his account for such attendance direct to the insurance company insuring the vehicle concerned. The company shall remit the amount claimed direct to the doctor, if, after investigation, the company finds that it is liable for the damage caused at that accident.

Motion by BIRMINGHAM CENTRAL: That a scale of fees shall be prepared, and agreed upon, between the representatives of companies and the British Medical Association.

PUBLIC MEDICAL SERVICE SCHEME

Motion by KENSINGTON: That (in connexion with para. 79 of Annual Report of Council) with reference to para. 406 (*a*) (3) of the report of the committee appointed by King Edward's Fund to inquire into out-patient methods, the Association should now definitely extend its support to the further expansion of Public Medical Services.

Para. 406 (*a*) (3) of the report on out-patient methods —referred to above—reads as follows:

406.—We accordingly recommend

(*a*) That hospitals should be encouraged to develop the consultative side of their out-patient work and the reference of non-urgent minor cases, after first attendance, to suitable agencies which provide general practitioner treatment, subject to the following safeguards:

(3) That the reference of minor cases to other agencies should not be made a rigid rule, but should be introduced only gradually and applied only with gradually increasing strictness ; except possibly where, as in the case of insured persons, an alternative agency has already been established, the services of which are immediately available at no further cost to the patient. . . .

"HOME HELPS" DURING LYING-IN PERIOD

Motion by COUNCIL: That local authorities should be encouraged to make available, in necessitous and otherwise suitable cases, the services of "home helps," who will work in accordance with the conditions such as are set out below:

(i) the duty of "home helps" shall be to look after the home, but *does not* include the care of the mother or baby;

(ii) the engagement of a "home help" will not be recognized unless a midwife is also engaged—that is to say, the employment of a "home help" when a doctor only is engaged will not be recognized ;

(iii) that the payment of a "home help" by the local authority will depend upon a favourable report on the work of the "home help" by a medical practitioner or a health visitor.

Amendment by ST. PANCRAS: That the recommendation with reference to "home helps" in Section 99 of Annual Report of the Council for 1932–3 be amended so as to exclude paras. (i), (ii), and (iii), and to substitute for the words "with the conditions such as are set out below" the words "with such conditions as will prevent them undertaking the duties of a nurse."

WELFARE CLINICS

Motion by NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE: That the time has now arrived when the Association should define its policy for actively opposing the continuing absorption of general practitioner work by welfare centres.

Motion by NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE: That food distribution depots should be operated in such a manner as to be independent of welfare centres.

Motion by NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE: That private practitioners should be empowered, equally with medical officers of welfare centres, to send patients to food distribution depots at which means tests could be appropriately applied.

Motion by NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE: That in the opinion of the Representative Body the financial status of the parents of every child seeking advice and/or treatment at a welfare centre should be investigated ; and that any child whose parents' income is above a defined limit should not be admitted to the services of the clinic in the absence of a letter from the family doctor.

Motion by NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE: That in the opinion of the Representative Body all clinics which are supported out of public funds should be staffed only with doctors who have had at least three years' experience of general practice, apart from any other special professional distinctions which they may have acquired.

PENSION AND INSURANCE SCHEME FOR INSURANCE PRACTITIONERS

Motion by BRISTOL: That (with reference to para. 104 of Annual Report of Council) in the opinion of the Representative Body the Pension and Insurance Scheme for Insurance Practitioners leaves much to be desired, and it is the opinion of the Annual Representative Meeting that the Council should take the earliest opportunity to revise the scheme.

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE: RECORD CARDS

Motion by TORQUAY: That this Annual Representative Meeting asks the Association to press for the abolition of the compulsory compilation of statistical panel information upon record cards, which should be used solely for voluntary records of clinical notes.

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE: CERTIFICATION

Motion by TORQUAY: That this Annual Representative Meeting considers that the rules for certification, and the forms of certificate for use under the National Health Insurance Act, should be altered so that:

(*a*) The initial certificate should be issued as at present, but that intermediate certificates should not be required for eight days after the issue of the initial certificate, or more frequently than once a week thereafter.

(*b*) The wording of the intermediate certificate should be such that it need not necessarily be issued on the day on which the patient has been examined.

(*c*) The final certificate should be so worded that the doctor may, at his discretion, certify the date of fitness to return to work more than forty-eight hours ahead.

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE LECTURES

Motion by GLASGOW: That the lectures on National Health Insurance practice given by selected practitioners to final-year medical students and recent graduates should be placed on the same basis as scientific lectures, and that the Association should pay a fee to the lecturers for same.

FACILITIES FOR GENERAL PRACTITIONERS TO TREAT THEIR PATIENTS IN GENERAL HOSPITALS

Motion by COUNCIL: That para. 3 of the Hospital Policy of the Association be amended by inserting after subsection (i) the following paragraph:

"(ii) that accommodation should be provided in all districts for the treatment of patients by general medical practitioners,"

sub-paras. (ii), (iii), (iv) being subsequently renumbered.

Paragraph 3 will then read as follows:

3. The British Medical Association, recognizing that hospital accommodation in any given area may be provided by voluntary bodies or by statutory authorities, or by any combination of these, believes that the continuance of voluntary hospitals is in the public interest. The Association is concerned especially to see that in all cases certain fundamental conditions are met:

(i) that the accommodation be utilized for the provision of those medical services which in the best interests of the patient can be given only in an institution;

(ii) that accommodation should be provided in all districts for the treatment of patients by general medical practitioners;

(iii) that the arrangements for the medical staffing of these hospitals be such as meet with the considered approval of the medical profession;

(iv) that the normal method of admission of patients to hospitals should be on the recommendation of a medical practitioner;

(v) that as far as practicable, all hospitals should be available for purposes of medical education.

Amendment by WEST SOMERSET: That the Representative Body is convinced that treatment of their own patients in the general wards of general hospitals by general practitioners other than those of the hospital staff would be quite unworkable, and that the following Minute 84 of the A.R.M., 1932, be rescinded:

Resolved: That, as outlined in the Hospital Policy, the British Medical Association should press at the earliest opportunity for facilities for general practitioners to treat their patients in general hospitals.

CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION AND TREATMENT OF PRIVATE PATIENTS IN HOSPITALS

Motion by COUNCIL: That the following be substituted for Appendix B of the existing Hospital Policy of the Association:

1. The normal method of admission of a private patient should be on the recommendation of a general medical practitioner and if in an emergency a private patient is admitted without the cognizance of his private medical attendant, the latter should be informed immediately.

2. When accommodation is provided for private patients, in or in connexion with a hospital, either in the form of rooms, wards, or special buildings, and if the hospital has a visiting medical staff which is ordinarily responsible for the care of all patients in the public wards, the following conditions should apply:

(*a*) The patient should be under the responsible care of a member of the visiting medical staff in association with the private practitioner of the patient;

(*b*) The private practitioner should have free access to the patient and should have such share of responsibility and treatment of the patient as may be agreed upon between the member of the visiting medical staff and the private practitioner;

(*c*) Where arrangements have been made by the governing body to permit the access of practitioners not on the staff to have responsible care of their own patients, the patient should be entitled to select any available practitioner, but if at any time the treatment of the case involves the application of special skill or experience, the practitioner giving such treatment may be required to satisfy one or more of the following conditions:

(i) that he has held hospital or other appointments affording special opportunities for acquiring special skill and experience of the kind required for the performance of the service rendered, and has had actual recent practice in performing the service rendered or services of a similar character, or

(ii) that he has had special academic or post-graduate study of a subject which comprises the service rendered, and has had actual recent practice as aforesaid, or

(iii) That he is generally recognized by other practitioners in the area as having special proficiency and experience in a subject which comprises the service rendered.

3. If the hospital has not a visiting medical staff, which is ordinarily responsible for the care of all patients in the public wards, the patient should be admitted under the responsible care of a private practitioner, and should be allowed, if necessary, to call in any consultant of his choice.

4. The appropriate medical fees payable by the private patient in conditions mentioned above may be determined either according to a scale agreed between the medical staff and the board of management, or by private agreement between the medical attendant and the patient.

[Existing Appendix B to Hospital Policy is printed in para. 114 of Annual Report of Council, *British Medical Journal Supplement*, April 29th, 1933, pp. 175–6.]

Amendment by BRIGHTON: That the following be substituted for Hospital Policy Appendix B:

(*a*) It is desirable that institutional accommodation for private patients should be available in all districts, both for specialist treatment and for general practitioner treatment.

(*b*) The form of this institutional accommodation, depending on the requirements of each district, should be either hospitals and/or private nursing homes; private rooms, and/or private wards in the voluntary or council hospital; separate nursing homes, whether annexed to or associated with the voluntary and/or council hospital; or otherwise.

(*c*) The administration of such accommodation, when not provided in a private nursing home, should be by an *ad hoc* committee on which there should be representatives of the local medical profession, but should be conducted as a private nursing home, in regard to the following conditions:

(i) Free choice of a doctor by patient, and of patient by doctor.

(ii) The normal method of admission of a private patient should be on the recommendation of a private medical practitioner, and if, in an emergency, a private patient is admitted without the cognizance of a private medical practitioner, such should be engaged immediately.

(*d*) Subject to (*e*) (i) below, if the treatment of the patient at any time involves the application of special skill or experience, the patient should be allowed to select any registered medical practitioner; and the practitioner undertaking that treatment, if not on the medical visiting staff of a recognized hospital, may be required to satisfy one or more of the following conditions:

(i) that he holds or has held hospital or other appointments affording special opportunities for acquiring special skill and experience of the kind required for the performance of the service rendered, and has had actual recent practice in performing the service to be rendered, or services of a similar character, or

(ii) that he has had special academic or post-graduate study of a subject which comprises the service to be rendered, and has had actual recent practice as aforesaid, or

(iii) that he is generally recognized by other practitioners in the area as having special proficiency and experience in a subject which comprises the service to be rendered.

(*e*) If the accommodation is provided by a voluntary or council hospital with a restricted medical staff, then—

(i) When the private patient requires *specialist* treatment of a kind which can be given by a member of the visiting medical staff, the patient should be under the responsible care of that specialist in association with the private practitioner of the patient, who should have free access to the patient, and should have such share of responsibility and treatment of the patient as may be agreed upon between that member of the visiting medical staff and the private practitioner.

(ii) When the private patient requires *specialist* treatment of a kind which cannot be given by a member of the visiting medical staff, then Section (*d*) should operate.

(iii) As soon as specialist treatment has been completed, the private practitioner of the patient should resume responsible care of the patient.

(*f*) The fees for general practitioner medical attendance, and specialist treatment, should be a matter of arrangement between the patient and the medical attendant.

If the accommodation has been provided in relation to a voluntary or council hospital, the fees for specialist medical attendance should be a matter of arrangement between patient and medical attendants, or according to a scale of fees agreed between the visiting medical staff and the governing body.

Motion by KENSINGTON: That the Association Policy should be amended so as to provide for a means test for all applicants for admission into private rooms, wards, annexes, or homes associated with hospitals; and that such means test should be variable according to the particular service for which entry is required, and that the only exception to the application of such a means test should be in a case of emergency.

HOSPITAL CONTRIBUTORY SCHEMES

Motion by TORQUAY: That this Annual Representative Meeting urges the Association to take action to ensure the strict observation of the income limit in hospital contributory schemes throughout the country.

MODEL LETTER FOR USE OF PRACTITIONERS IN SENDING PATIENTS TO HOSPITAL

Motion by TORQUAY: That (with reference to para. 118 of Annual Report of Council) this Annual Representative Meeting urges the Association to press for the strict observance of its recommendation that all patients attending hospital for consultation or treatment should bring with them a letter from their private medical attendant, whether they are members of a contributory scheme or not.

Motion by BIRMINGHAM CENTRAL: That (with reference to para. 118 of Annual Report of Council) in order to stamp out the prevailing abuses of hospital treatment the following procedure should be adopted:

(*a*) All patients who present themselves at hospital for treatment shall be examined by a registered medical practitioner on the staff of the hospital. Such cases will fall into two categories:

(1) Emergencies.
(2) Non-emergencies.

These shall be dealt with as follows:

Emergencies shall receive appropriate first treatment, and if no special hospital treatment is required afterwards shall be referred back to their own doctor. (The term "own doctor" means the doctor from whom the patient would ordinarily obtain domiciliary treatment.)

Non-emergencies, unless they require special treatment which can only be obtained at hospital, shall be referred back to their own doctor without receiving advice or treatment. In all cases the following or some similar form shall be sent to the patient's own doctor:

.....Hospital.
.....Date.

Dear Dr.....

I have to-day seen your patient ..... of ....., and am of the opinion that he, or she, is suffering from.....

I have therefore (1) Admitted him/her.
(2) Ordered the special appropriate treatment.
(3) Given emergency treatment.
(4) Referred him/her back to you.

Yours faithfully,

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Motion by BIRMINGHAM CENTRAL: That the B.M.A. arrange to have such forms printed, and endeavour to persuade hospitals throughout the country to make use of them.

Motion by BIRMINGHAM CENTRAL: That if necessary to bring about the use of such forms, the B.M.A. shall defray the cost of printing and supplying the hospitals with them.

ASSOCIATION'S CONSULTANTS LIST

Motion by SWANSEA: That (with reference to para. 120 (x) of Annual Report of Council) no consultant's name shall appear in the list under more than one specialty.

MEDICAL CHARITIES

Motion by LANARKSHIRE: That the sum of 3s. per each annual subscription of £3 3s. to the British Medical Association be allocated to the various medical charities.

BOOKS ADDED TO THE LIBRARY

The following books were added to the Library of the British Medical Association during April, 1933:

Albot, G.: Hépatites et Cirrhoses. 1931.
Alexander, F.: Medical Value of Psychoanalysis. 1932.
Arthus, M.: Précis de Chemie Physiologique. 1932.
Aschoff, L.: Appendicitis, its Aetiology and Pathology. 1932.
Bailey's Text-Book of Histology (revised by Elwyn and Strong). Eighth edition. 1932.
Basset, A.: Le Genou. 1932.
Bernay, P.: La Gastrophotographie. 1931.
Blacker, C. P.: Human Values in Psychological Medicine. 1933.
Blackham, R. J.: Incomparable India. 1932.
Bland, P. B.: Practical Obstetrics. 1932.
Bland-Sutton, Sir J.: Man and Creatures in Uganda. 1933.
Bradbury, F. C. S.: Causal Factors in Tuberculosis. 1933.
Calder, R. M.: Bacteriology for Nurses. 1932.
Cameron, H. C.: Nervous Child at School. 1933.
Campbell, H.: Aids to Pathology. Sixth edition. 1933.
Census of Nigeria, 1931. Vol. vi (Medical Census of Southern Provinces). 1932.
Chabrol, E.: Les Ictères. 1932.
Chiray, M., and Stieffel, R.: Les Constipations. 1933.
Cowdry, E. V. (Editor): Special Cytology. Second edition. Three volumes. 1932.
Crossen, H. S., and Crossen, R. J.: Synopsis of Gynecology. 1932.
Crowther, J. G.: A.B.C. of Chemistry. 1932.
Deschamps, A., and Vinchon, J.: Les Maladies de l'Énergie. Fourth edition. 1932.
Dürken, B.: Experimental Analysis of Development. 1932.
Dyer, B., and Mitchell, C. A.: Fifty Years of the Society of Public Analysts. 1932.
Fish, E. W.: Principles of Full Denture Prosthesis. 1933.
Galloway, J. J.: Manual of Foraminifera. 1933.
Garin, C., Rousset, J., and Gonthier, B.: L'Ankylostomose. 1932.
Goiffon, R.: Étude Clinique de l'Equilibre Acide-Base par l'Analyse d'Urine. 1932.
Guillain, G., and Mollaret, P.: Les Séquelles de l'Encéphalite Épidémique. 1932.
Hayhow, R. R.: Feet in Health and Disease. 1933.
Heyer, G. R.: Der Organismus der Seele. 1932.
Hill, A. V.: Living Machinery. 1933.
Hinton, J. W. (Editor): Erdmann's Clinics. 1932.
Hunt, T. C.: Chronic Indigestion. 1933.
International Committee for the Study of Infantile Paralysis: Poliomyelitis. 1932.
Iselin, M.: Chirurgie de la Main. 1933.
Kendall, J.: At Home Among the Atoms. 1932.
Looney, W. W.: Anatomy of the Brain and Spinal Cord. Second edition. 1932.
McCleary, G. F.: Early History of the Infant Welfare Movement. 1933.
Newns, G. H.: Aids to Materia Medica. 1933.
Norwood, C. E.: Nudism in England. 1933.
Olmer, D., and Olmer, J.: Fièvre Boutonneuse. 1933.
Penfield, W. (Editor): Cytology and Cellular Pathology of the Nervous System. Three volumes. 1932.
Piersol's Normal Histology. Fifteenth edition by W. H. F. Allison. 1932.
Power, Sir D'Arcy: Short History of Surgery. 1933.
Practical Anaesthesia. By the Anaesthetic Staff of the Alfred Hospital, Melbourne, 1932.
Raester, O., and Grove, J.: Dr. James Barry: Her Secret Story. 1932.
Ramond, F., Dimitresco-Popovici, J., and Dany, H.: L'Aérophagie et son Traitement. 1933.
Robinson, V.: Syllabus of Medical History. 1933.
Roemheld, L.: Praktische Diätetik. 1933.
Sand, R.: La Belgique Sociale. 1933.
Schick, B., and Rosenson, W.: Child Care To-day. 1932.
Schulmann, E.: Études Cliniques de Syphiligraphie. 1932.
Smart, M.: Principles of Treatment of Muscles and Joints by Graduated Muscular Contractions. 1933.
Stuart-Low, W.: Care of the Nose, Throat, and Ear. 1933.
Thaysen, T. E. Hess: Non-Tropical Sprue. 1932.
Thresh, J. C., Beale, J. F., and Suckling, E. V.: Examination of Waters and Water Supplies. Fourth edition. 1933.
Voronoff, S.: Conquest of Life. 1933.
White House Conference: Growth and Development of the Child. Part 1. 1932.

British Medical Association

ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST ANNUAL MEETING, DUBLIN, JULY, 1933

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

The Annual Representative Meeting will begin at the Royal Dublin Society Hall on Friday, July 21st, and be continued on the following three week-days.

The statutory Annual General Meeting will be held at the Royal Dublin Society Hall on Tuesday, July 25th, at 12.45 p.m. The in-coming President, Professor Moorhead, will deliver his address at the adjourned meeting at the same place at 4.30 p.m.

The Annual Dinner of the Association will take place at the Gresham Hotel on Thursday, July 27th, at 7.30 p.m.

The Popular Lecture will be given at the Royal Dublin Society Hall by Professor R. A. S. Macalister on Friday, July 28th, at 8 p.m.

The Pathological Museum in Trinity College will be opened on Tuesday, July 25th, at 11 a.m., and will remain open on the three following days from 9 a.m.

The Conference of Honorary Secretaries and the Over-sea Conference will be held in Trinity College on Wednesday, July 26th, at 2.30 p.m. and 4.30 p.m. respectively.

Service will be held in St. Patrick's Cathedral, and High Mass in the Pro-Cathedral, on Tuesday, July 25th, at 9 a.m.

The Reception Room for registration at the Mansion House will be opened at 2 p.m. on Monday, July 24th, and on subsequent days at 9 a.m.

The Annual Exhibition of Surgical Appliances, Foods, Drugs, and Books will be held in the Round Room, Mansion House. It will be open for inspection on Monday, July 24th, at 2 p.m. The official opening will take place on Tuesday, July 25th, at 10 a.m. ; it will remain open on July 26th, 27th, and 28th from 9 a.m. till 6 p.m.

Saturday, July 29th, will be given up to excursions to places of interest.

The Scientific Sections

The clinical and scientific work of the meeting will be divided among sixteen Sections, meeting on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, July 26th, 27th, and 28th, at Trinity College and University College.

The following Sections will meet on Three Days :

MEDICINE

President : Professor HENRY F. MOORE, M.D., F.R.C.P.I., Dublin.

Vice-Presidents : MAURICE A. CASSIDY, C.B., M.D., F.R.C.P., London ; Sir JAMES CRAIG, M.D., F.R.C.P.I., Dublin ; Professor L. STANLEY P. DAVIDSON, M.D., F.R.C.P.Ed., Aberdeen ; REGINALD C. PEACOCKE, O.B.E., M.D., Blackrock, Co. Dublin ; Professor W. W. D. THOMSON, M.D., F.R.C.P., Belfast.

Honorary Secretaries : EDWARD T. FREEMAN, M.D., F.R.C.P.I., 22, Fitzwilliam Square, Dublin, C.19 ; Miss JANET K. AITKEN, M.D., M.R.C.P., 20, Park Square East, Regent's Park, N.W.1.

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Wednesday, July 26th.—10 a.m., *Discussion :* Essential Vascular Hypertension. To be opened by Sir HUMPHRY ROLLESTON (Haslemere), followed by Dr. JOHN GRAY (Aberdeen), Pathological Aspect ; Prof. W. W. D. THOMSON (Belfast), Renal Aspect ; Dr. F. C. PURSER (Dublin), Cerebral Aspect ; Dr. MAURICE A. CASSIDY (London), Cardiovascular and Prognosis ; Prof. T. W. T. DILLON (Dublin), Renal Function Tests ; and Prof. JOHN HAY (Liverpool), Treatment.

Thursday, July 27th (combined meeting with Section of Radiology).—10 a.m., *Discussion :* The Radiology of Heart Disease. To be opened by Dr. JOHN PARKINSON (London), Medicine, and Dr. P. J. KERLEY (London), Radiology, followed by Dr. D. E. BEDFORD (London), Dr. J. CRIGHTON BRAMWELL (Manchester), and Dr. L. ABRAHAMSON (Dublin), Medicine, and Dr. R. M. BEATH (Belfast) and Dr. W. HOPE FOWLER (Edinburgh), Radiology. *Papers :* Dr. L. S. T. BURRELL (London), Diagnosis and Treatment of Bronchiectasis ; Dr. E. T. FREEMAN (Dublin), Treatment of Fluid in the Chest.

Friday, July 28th.—10 a.m., *Discussion :* The Treatment of Diabetes, with Special Reference to High Carbohydrate Diet. To be opened by Dr. R. D. LAWRENCE (London), followed by Prof. D. MURRAY LYON (Edinburgh), Dr. GEORGE GRAHAM (London), and Dr. R. H. MICKS (Dublin). *Papers :* Prof. L. S. P. DAVIDSON (Aberdeen), Vitamin B—its Therapeutic Action in Anaemia ; Dr. GEOFFREY THOMPSON (Dublin), The Problem of Nephrosis.

SURGERY

President : CHARLES J. MACAULEY, M.B., F.R.C.S., Dublin.

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The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Wednesday, July 26th.—10 a.m., *Discussion :* Head Injuries. To be opened by Mr. G. JEFFERSON (Manchester), followed by Mr. HUGH CAIRNS (London), Mr. A. A. MCCONNELL (Dublin), and Prof. H. S. MEADE (Dublin).

Thursday, July 27th.—10 a.m., *Discussion :* Surgical Diseases of the Biliary Tracts. To be opened by Prof. D. P. D. WILKIE (Edinburgh), followed by Prof. H. L. BARNIVILLE (Dublin), Mr. G. H. EDINGTON (Glasgow), Prof. R. E. KELLY (Liverpool), and Mr. A. J. WALTON (London).

Friday, July 28th (combined meeting with Section of Radiology).—10 a.m., *Paper :* Dr. H. POOLE (Dublin), The Physical Basis of Radium Treatment. *Discussion :* Radiation Therapy in Malignant Disease. To be opened by Mr. E. L. PEARCE GOULD (London), Surgery, Dr. OLIVER CHANCE (Dublin), Radium and Radium Emanation, and Dr. W. M. LEVITT (London), *X* Rays, followed by Mr. E. G. SLESINGER (London) and Mr. P. H. WHITAKER (Liverpool), Surgery, and Dr. R. STUMPF (Dublin), Dr. B. W. WINDEYER (London), and Dr. J. R. RALSTON PATERSON (Manchester), Radiology

OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY

President: BETHEL SOLOMONS, M.D., F.R.C.P.I., F.C.O.G., Dublin.

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The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Wednesday, July 26th.—10 a.m., Discussion: Puerperal Sepsis. To be opened by Dr. L. COLEBROOK (London), Aetiology and Prevention; Dr. L. CARNAC RIVETT (London), Diagnosis; Mr. E. FARQUHAR MURRAY (Newcastle-on-Tyne), Treatment; followed by Dr. GIBBON FITZGIBBON (Dublin), Prof. C. G. LOWRY (Belfast), and Dr. JOAN K. ROSE (Edinburgh).

Thursday, July 27th.—10 a.m., *Discussion:* Gynaecological Aspects of Endocrinology. To be opened by Prof. EMIL NOVAK (Baltimore), and Prof. R. W. JOHNSTONE (Edinburgh), followed by Dr. B. P. WIESNER (Edinburgh), Dr. A. S. PARKES (London), Dr. DOMINIC J. CANNON (Kildare), and Dr. N. McI. FALKINER (London).

Friday, July 28th.—10 a.m., *Papers:* Miss LOUISA MARTINDALE (London), The Artificial Menopause, with special reference to the end-results obtained by various methods of induction; Prof. Dame LOUISE McILROY (London), Some Difficulties in the Diagnosis of Pregnancy; Prof. A. H. DAVIDSON (Dublin), Hysterectomy: A Critical Survey (with cinematograph films).

RADIOLOGY

President: G. HARRISON ORTON, M.D., D.M.R.E., London.

Vice-Presidents: H. K. GRAHAM HODGSON, C.V.O., M.B., M.R.C.P., D.M.R.E., London; T. GARRETT HARDMAN, M.D., Dublin; MICHAEL F. O'HEA, M.B., B.Ch., Rathgar, Dublin.

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The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Wednesday, July 26th.—10 a.m., *Papers:* Dr. W. P. A. MURPHY (Dublin), Uses of Thorotrast; Dr. J. F. BRAILSFORD (Birmingham), Radiographic Manifestations of Syphilis in Bones; Dr. H. K. GRAHAM HODGSON (London), Radiology of the Colon; Dr. J. DUNCAN WHITE (Edinburgh), Internal Derangement of the Knee-joint; Dr. A. E. BARCLAY (Cambridge), Radiology of the Duodenum.

Thursday, July 27th (combined meeting with Section of Medicine).—10 a.m., *Discussion:* The Radiology of Heart Disease. To be opened by Dr. J. PARKINSON (London), Medicine, and Dr. P. J. KERLEY (London), Radiology, followed by Dr. R. M. BEATH (Belfast) and Dr. W. HOPE FOWLER (Edinburgh), Radiology, and Dr. D. E. BEDFORD (London), Dr. J. CRIGHTON BRAMWELL (Manchester), and Dr. L. ABRAHAMSON (Dublin), Medicine. *Papers:* Dr. L. S. T. BURRELL (London), Diagnosis and Treatment of Bronchiectasis; Dr. E. T. FREEMAN (Dublin), Treatment of Fluid in the Chest.

Friday, July 28th (combined meeting with Section of Surgery).—10 a.m., *Paper:* Dr. H. POOLE (Dublin), The Physical Basis of Radium Treatment. *Discussion:* Radiation Therapy in Malignant Disease. To be opened by Dr. W. M. LEVITT (London), X Rays, Dr. OLIVER CHANCE (Dublin), Radium and Radium Emanation, and Mr. E. L. PEARCE GOULD (London), Surgery, followed by Dr. R. STUMPF (Dublin), Dr. B. W. WINDEYER (London), and Dr. RALSTON PATERSON (Manchester), Radiology, Mr. E. G. SLESINGER (London) and Dr. P. H. WHITAKER (Liverpool), Surgery.

The following Sections will meet on Two Days:

DISEASES OF CHILDREN

President: ERIC PRITCHARD, M.D., F.R.C.P., London.

Vice-Presidents: J. T. D'EWART, M.B., Blackley, Manchester; Miss KATHLEEN F. LYNN, M.B., F.R.C.S.I., Dublin; J. P. SHANLEY, M.D., Dublin.

Honorary Secretaries: KERRY REDDIN, L.R.C.P. and S.I., Child Welfare Centre, Lord Edward Street, Dublin; ALAN MONCRIEFF, M.D., M.R.C.P., 121, Harley Street, W.1.

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Thursday, July 27th.—10 a.m., *Discussion:* The Deficiency Anaemias of Childhood. To be opened by Prof. L. G. PARSONS (Birmingham), followed by Dr. W. A. ALEXANDER (Edinburgh), Dr. E. DOROTHY S. PRICE (Dublin), Dr. A. C. HAMPSON (London), Dr. R. E. STEEN (Dublin), Dr. W. R. F. COLLIS (Dublin), and Dr. F. M. B. ALLEN (Belfast). *Paper:* Dr. W. R. F. COLLIS (Dublin), The Diagnosis and Treatment of Tuberculosis in Childhood.

Friday, July 28th.—10 a.m., *Discussion:* The Value and Dosage of Vitamins in Paediatric Practice. To be opened by Dr. L. J. HARRIS (Cambridge), followed by Dr. W. R. AYKROYD (Geneva), Dr. KATHLEEN F. LYNN (Dublin), Dr. COLMAN SAUNDERS (Dublin), and Dr. R. E. STEEN (Dublin).

NEUROLOGY AND PSYCHOLOGICAL MEDICINE

President: GORDON M. HOLMES, C.M.G., C.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.P., London.

Vice-Presidents: JOHN MILLS, M.B., B.Ch., Ballinasloe, Co. Galway; J. G. PORTER PHILLIPS, M.D., F.R.C.P., London; F. C. PURSER, O.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.P.I., Dublin.

Honorary Secretaries: JAMES M. HAYDEN, M.D., 25, Lower Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin; Miss ELIZABETH CASSON, M.D., Dorset House, Clifton Down, Bristol.

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Thursday, July 27th.—10 a.m., *Discussion:* The Role of the Family Physician in the Prevention of Mental Disorder and Defects. To be opened by Dr. H. R. C. RUTHERFORD (Dublin), followed by Dr. J. G. PORTER PHILLIPS (London), Dr. J. O'CONOR DONELAN (Dublin), Dr. J. MILLS (Ballinasloe), and Dr. T. A. GREENE (Carlow).

Friday, July 28th.—10 a.m., *Discussion:* Poliomyelitis—its Epidemiology and Treatment. To be opened by Dr. F. M. R. WALSHE (London), followed by Dr. R. W. FAIRBROTHER (Manchester), Dr. JAMES PURDON MARTIN (London), and Dr. W. S. HAUGHTON (Dublin). *Presentation of Film:* Poliomyelitis, by Dr. MAUD FRANCES FORRESTER-BROWN (Bath) and Dr. R. G. GORDON (Bath).

OPHTHALMOLOGY

President: FRANK C. CRAWLEY, M.D., P.R.C.S.I., Dublin.

Vice-Presidents: P. G. DOYNE, M.B., F.R.C.S., London; CHARLES B. GOULDEN, O.B.E., M.D., M.Ch., F.R.C.S., London; Miss EUPHAN M. MAXWELL, M.B., F.R.C.S.I., Dublin.

Honorary Secretaries: F. J. LAVERY, M.B., M.Ch., 14, Lower Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin; J. D. MAGOR CARDELL, M.B., F.R.C.S., 27, Weymouth Street, W.1.

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Thursday, July 27th.—10 a.m., *Discussion:* Fields of Vision in Connexion with Intracranial Lesions. To be opened by Mr. A. A. McCONNELL (Dublin) and Mr. H. M. TRAQUAIR (Edinburgh), followed by Mr. NORMAN M. DOTT (Edinburgh), Miss EUPHAN M. MAXWELL (Dublin), Mr. HUGH CAIRNS (London), and Mr. G. JEFFERSON (Manchester).

Friday, July 28th.—10 a.m., *Discussion:* The Control of School Myopia. To be opened by Mr. ARNOLD SORSBY (London), followed by Mr. N. BISHOP HARMAN (London) and Mr. J. D. MAGOR CARDELL (London).

ORTHOPAEDICS

President: Sir W. I. DE C. WHEELER, M.D., F.R.C.S.I., London.

Vice-Presidents: T. TWISTINGTON HIGGINS, O.B.E., M.B., F.R.C.S., London; S. T. IRWIN, M.B., M.Ch., F.R.C.S.Ed., Belfast; Professor H. S. MEADE, F.R.C.S.I., Dublin.

Honorary Secretaries: H. F. MACAULEY, M.B., M.Ch., F.R.C.S.I., 51, Fitzwilliam Square, Dublin; H. J. SEDDON, M.B., F.R.C.S., Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Brockley Hill, Stanmore, Middlesex.

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Wednesday, July 26th.—10 a.m., *Discussion:* Treatment of Chronic Osteomyelitis. To be opened by Mr. H. WINNETT ORR (Lincoln, Nebraska), followed by Mr. R. C. ELMSLIE (London), Mr. R. F. J. HENRY (Dublin), and Prof. D. P. D. WILKIE (Edinburgh). *Paper:* Dr. W. S. HAUGHTON (Dublin), The Transportation and Treatment of Spinal Fractures.

Thursday, July 27th.—10 a.m., *Discussion:* The Role of Fusion Operations as Applied to the Hip-joint. To be opened by Mr. MELVIN S. HENDERSON (Mayo Clinic, Rochester, U.S.A.), followed by Mr. G. R. GIRDLESTONE (Oxford), Mr. W. R. BRISTOW (London), and Mr. T. P. McMURRAY (Liverpool). *Paper:* Mr. A. S. BLUNDELL BANKART (London), The Treatment of Painful Feet.

OTO-RHINO-LARYNGOLOGY

President: Sir ROBERT H. WOODS, M.B., M.Ch., F.R.C.S.I., Dublin.

Vice-Presidents: P. J. DEMPSEY, F.R.C.S.I., Dublin; P. J. KEOGH, M.B., B.Ch., Dublin; JOHN F. O'MALLEY, F.R.C.S., London.

Honorary Secretaries: T. G. WILSON, M.B., F.R.C.S.I., 26, Upper Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin; PHILIP J. JORY, D.S.O., M.B., F.R.C.S., 26, Queen Anne Street, W.1.

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Thursday, July 27th.—10 a.m., *Discussions:* (1) The Treatment of Acute Otitis Media in Acute Febrile Conditions; to be opened by Dr. T. O. GRAHAM (Dublin), followed by Dr. J. B. HORGAN (Cork), Mr. HERBERT TILLEY (London), and Dr. SYDNEY R. SCOTT (London). (2) Granulomatous Conditions of the Nose; to be opened by Mr. P. J. DEMPSEY (Dublin), followed by Prof. J. T. WIGHAM (Dublin). *Paper:* Mr. A. B. K. WATKINS (Newcastle, N.S.W.), Plastic Surgery of the Face (with lantern slides).

Friday, July 28th.—10 a.m., *Discussions:* (1) The Treatment of Tuberculosis of the Larynx; to be opened by Mr. R. SCOTT STEVENSON (London), followed by Dr. P. J. KEOGH (Dublin) and Mr. H. S. BARWELL (London). (2) The Prognosis of Tuberculosis of the Larynx; to be opened by Dr. F. R. G. HEAF (London), followed by Dr. J. R. WHEELER (Belfast). *Paper:* Dr. C. D. S. AGASSIZ (London), Tuberculosis of the Larynx in Children. *Film Demonstration:* The Treatment of Tuberculosis of the Larynx by Means of the Kromayer Lamp, Dr. WILLIAM BEAUMONT (London).

PATHOLOGY AND BACTERIOLOGY

President: Professor J. M. BEATTIE, M.D., Liverpool.

Vice-Presidents: G. LESLIE EASTES, M.B., London; Professor A. E. MOORE, M.B., B.Ch., Blackrock, Co. Cork; Professor T. T. O'FARRELL, F.R.C.S.I., Blackrock, Co. Dublin.

Honorary Secretaries: JOHN LAIT, M.B., F.R.C.P.I., 35, Fitzwilliam Place, Dublin; Mrs. GEORGIANA M. BONSER, M.D., 978, Scott Hall Road, Moortown, Leeds.

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Thursday, July 27th.—10 a.m. *Discussion:* The Present Position of Serology in Relation to the Pathogenic Cocci. To be opened by Dr. H. J. PARISH (Beckenham), followed by Dr. R. CRUICKSHANK (Glasgow).

Friday, July 28th.—10 a.m., *Discussion:* The Renal Functional Disturbance in Acute and Subacute Nephritis. To be opened by Prof. J. SHAW DUNN (Glasgow), followed by Dr. W. CRAMER (London), Prof. J. T. WIGHAM (Dublin), and Dr. JOHN GRAY (Aberdeen). *Paper:* Dr. W. E. CARNEGIE DICKSON (London), Cerebral Tumours.

PUBLIC HEALTH

President: M. J. RUSSELL, F.R.C.S.I., D.P.H., Dublin.

Vice-Presidents: J. L. BROWNLIE, M.D., D.P.H., Edinburgh; M. J. CUFFE, L.R.C.P. and S.I., Swords, Co. Dublin; W. M. FRAZER, M.D., D.P.H., Liverpool.

Honorary Secretaries: JOHN MCGRATH, M.B., B.Ch., 33, Fitzwilliam Square, Dublin, C.19; Miss MARJORIE BACK, M.D., D.P.H., County of Middlesex Public Health Department, 10, Great George Street, S.W.1.

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Wednesday, July 26th.—10 a.m., *Discussion:* The Housing Question, with special reference to the Present Position. To be opened by Dr. KILLICK MILLARD (Leicester), followed by Mr. S. T. O'KELLY (Minister for Local Government and Public Health, Irish Free State), Sir FRANCIS FREMANTLE (Hatfield), and Dr. J. A. HARBISON (Dublin).

Thursday, July 27th.—10 a.m., *Discussion:* National Health Policy: A Critical Survey. To be opened by Dr. J. L. BROWNLIE (Edinburgh), followed by Dr. MAITLAND RADFORD (London), Dr. C. BASTIBLE (Wexford), and Dr. J. C. SAUNDERS (Cork). *Paper:* Prof. W. JAMES WILSON (Belfast), The Isolation of Enteric Bacilli from Sewage and Water, and its Bearing on Epidemiology.

The following Sections will meet on One Day:

DERMATOLOGY

President: W. J. O'DONOVAN, O.B.E., M.P., M.D., M.R.C.P., London.

Vice-Presidents: G. B. DOWLING, M.D., M.R.C.P., London; W. N. GOLDSMITH, M.D., M.R.C.P., London; W. G. HARVEY, M.D., F.R.C.P.I., Dublin.

Honorary Secretaries: P. MACCARVILL, M.B., 8, Fitzwilliam Square, Dublin; M. J. FENTON, M.B., Ch.B., 24, Stockwell Road, S.W.9.

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Wednesday, July 26th.—10 a.m., *Discussions:* (1) Occupational Dermatitis; to be opened by Dr. W. H. MURPHY (Dublin) and Dr. J. C. BRIDGE (London), followed by Dr. H. C. COX (London) and Dr. M. DRUMMOND (Dublin). (2) Filterable Viruses and Skin Disease; to be opened by Dr. R. T. BRAIN (London), followed by Mr. J. H. NORRIS (Dublin) and Prof. J. F. CRAIG (Dublin).

HISTORY OF MEDICINE

President: T. PERCY C. KIRKPATRICK, M.D., F.R.C.P.I., Dublin.

Vice-Presidents: K. R. HAY, O.B.E., M.B., London; T. WILSON PARRY, M.D., London; J. D. ROLLESTON, M.D., F.R.C.P., London.

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The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Friday, July 28th.—10 a.m., *Papers:* Dr. T. P. C. KIRKPATRICK (Dublin), Irish Medical Men before 1700; Dr. T. WILSON PARRY (London), John Keats: Medical Student, Qualified Surgeon, and Poet; Dr. W. CECIL P. SMYLY (Dublin), Early Irish Hypnotists and Mesmerists; Dr. J. PRENDERGAST (London), Sir William Petty; Dr. J. BELL (Dublin), Berkley on the Tar Water.

MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY

President: C. O. HAWTHORNE, LL.D., M.D., F.R.C.P., London.

Vice-Presidents: HARRY CAMPBELL, M.D., F.R.C.P., London; V. ZACHARY COPE, M.D., M.S., F.R.C.S., London; JOHN GOOD, T.D., Dublin; The Right Hon. Lord HOLMPATRICK, D.S.O., Dublin; CHARLES H. O'CONOR, K.M., Lucan, Co. Dublin; ALFRED R. PARSONS, M.D., F.R.C.P.I., Dublin; Lieut.-Colonel J. A. A. PICKARD, D.S.O., London.

Honorary Secretaries: DON A. MACERLEAN, M.D., 62, Fitzwilliam Square, Dublin; P. G. STEVENSON DAVIS, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., 57, Marquess Road, N.1.

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Friday, July 28th.—10 a.m., *Discussion:* The Effects of Motoring on Health. To be opened by Sir W. I. DE COURCY WHEELER (London), followed by Dr. HARRY CAMPBELL (London), Mr. J. CLARKE (Dublin), Mr. V. ZACHARY COPE (London), Dr. ALFRED R. PARSONS (Dublin), and Mr. F. M. SUMMERFIELD (Dublin).

PHARMACOLOGY AND THERAPEUTICS

President: Professor ROBERT J. ROWLETTE, M.D., F.R.C.P.I., Dublin.

Vice-Presidents: Professor LEONARD ABRAHAMSON, M.D., F.R.C.P.I., Dublin; Miss DOROTHY C. HARE, C.B.E., M.D., M.R.C.P., London; ERIC G. HOLMES, M.D., Cambridge.

Honorary Secretaries: HAROLD QUINLAN, M.D., 43, Fitzwilliam Place, Dublin; W. MORRELL ROBERTS, M.D., M.R.C.P., The Cedars, College Road, Whalley Range, Manchester.

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Wednesday, July 26th.—10 a.m., *Discussions:* (1) Diuretics in Modern Medicine from the Point of View of Pharmacology and Therapeutics; to be opened by Dr. MURRAY LYON (Edinburgh), and Dr. L. ABRAHAMSON (Dublin). (2) Anaesthetics from the Practical and Scientific Aspects; to be opened by Mr. F. J. MORRIN (Dublin) and Dr. R. W. SHAW (Dublin).

PHYSIOLOGY AND BIOCHEMISTRY

President: T. H. MILROY, LL.D., M.D., Belfast.

Vice-Presidents: Professor E. C. DODDS, M.V.O., M.D., M.R.C.P., London; ALEXANDER GOODALL, M.D., F.R.C.P.Ed., Edinburgh; Professor HAROLD PRINGLE, M.D., F.R.C.P.I., F.R.C.S.I., Dublin.

Honorary Secretaries: GEOFFREY THOMPSON, M.D., M.R.C.P.I., School of Physiology, Trinity College, Dublin; Mrs. E. C. PILLMAN WILLIAMS, O.B.E., M.B., B.S., 25, Harley Street, W.1.

The following provisional programme has been arranged:

Thursday, July 27th.—10 a.m., *Discussions:* (1) The Effect upon Abdominal Viscera of Sympathetic and Parasympathetic Excitation; to be opened by Prof. D. T. BARRY (Cork), followed by Prof. B. A. MCSWINEY (Leeds), and Prof. J. R. LEARMONTH (Aberdeen). (2) Urea in Health and Disease; to be opened by Dr. W. R. FEARON (Dublin), followed by Prof. E. C. DODDS (London), Prof. JOSEPH BARCROFT (Cambridge), and Dr. T. W. T. DILLON (Dublin). *Paper:* Colonel R. MCCARRISON (Coonoor, India), Food and Goitre (with lantern slides and pathological exhibits).

The local Honorary General Secretaries of the meeting are Dr. J. P. Shanley and Professor J. W. Bigger, F.R.C.P.I., B.M.A. Meeting, Royal College of Physicians, Kildare Street, Dublin.

Provisional Time-table

Friday, July 21st

9.30 a.m.—Annual Representative Meeting, Royal Dublin Society Hall.
11.0 a.m.—Official Welcome to Representative Body by Minister for Local Government and Public Health and the Lord Mayor of Dublin.
1.0 p.m.—Luncheon to Oversea Representatives, Royal Dublin Society Hall.
2.30 p.m.—Excursion for Ladies to Walpole's Gardens, Ashford, Co. Wicklow, by kind permission of Messrs. Walpole, Ltd.; tea at Newcastle Sanatorium, by kind invitation of the Board.
7.30 p.m.—Representatives' Dinner, Royal Hibernian Hotel.
8.30 p.m.—Mrs. Barniville At Home to all Ladies.

Saturday, July 22nd

9.30 a.m.—Annual Representative Meeting, Royal Dublin Society Hall.
1.0 p.m.—Official Photograph of Representative Body.
2.30 p.m.—Excursion to Carton, Maynooth, Co. Kildare, for Ladies, by invitation (limited to 50).
8.30 p.m.—Reception and Dance at Lord Iveagh's House, St. Stephen's Green.

Sunday, July 23rd

11.0 a.m.—Excursion to County Wicklow; lunch at Glendalough, tea at Greystones.

Monday, July 24th

9.0 a.m.—Council Meeting, Council Room, Royal Dublin Society Hall.
10.0 a.m.—Annual Representative Meeting, Royal Dublin Society Hall.
2.0 p.m.—Reception Room open for Registration, Mansion House.
4.30 p.m.—Mrs. Moorhead At Home to all Ladies.
*7.30 p.m.—Admission of Lord Dawson of Penn to Honorary Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland.
8.0 p.m.—Performance in Abbey Theatre for Representatives and their Ladies.

Tuesday, July 25th

*9.0 a.m.—Religious Service at St. Patrick's Cathedral.
*9.0 a.m.—High Mass at Pro-Cathedral.
9.0 a.m.—Reception Room open for Registration, Mansion House.
10.0 a.m.—Official Opening of Exhibition by President-Elect in Round Room, Mansion House.
10.45 a.m.—Annual Representative Meeting, Royal Dublin Society Hall.
11.0 a.m.—Pathological Museum, Historical and Hobbies Exhibitions open, Trinity College.
12.45 p.m.—Annual General Meeting, Royal Dublin Society Hall.
*4.30 p.m.—Adjourned Annual General Meeting and President's Address, Royal Dublin Society Hall.
*9.0 p.m.—President's Reception and Dance at University College.

Wednesday, July 26th

9.0 a.m.—Council Meeting, Royal College of Physicians.
9.0 a.m.—Reception Room open for Registration, Mansion House.
9.0 a.m.—Exhibition open, Mansion House.
9.0 a.m.—Pathological Museum, Historical and Hobbies Exhibitions open, Trinity College.
10.0 a.m. to 1.0 p.m. } Sectional Meetings, Trinity College and University College.
10.0 a.m.—Golf Competition for Notts Ladies' Challenge Cup, Portmarnock Golf Links.
11.0 a.m.—Short Excursion for Ladies.
1.0 p.m.—Irish Medical Schools' and Graduates' Association Lunch, Royal Hibernian Hotel.
2.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m. } Secretaries' Conference, Trinity College.
4.0 p.m.—At Home at Dr. Steevens's Hospital (limited to 200).
4.30 p.m.—Oversea Conference, Trinity College.
4.30 p.m.—Garden Party at the Zoological Gardens, Phoenix Park.
7.30 p.m.—Secretaries' Dinner, Dolphin Hotel.
*9.0 p.m.—Government Reception at Dublin Castle.

Thursday, July 27th

8.30 a.m.—National Temperance League Annual Medical Breakfast.
9.0 a.m.—Reception Room open for Registration, Mansion House.
9.0 a.m.—Exhibition open, Mansion House.
9.0 a.m.—Pathological Museum, Historical and Hobbies Exhibitions open, Trinity College.
10.0 a.m.—Golf Competition for Leinster and Childe Cups at Portmarnock Golf Links.
10.0 a.m. to 1.0 p.m. } Sectional Meetings, Trinity College and University College.
11.0 a.m.—Short Excursion for Ladies.
1.0 p.m.—Lunch at Messrs. Arthur Guinness's (by invitation).
1.30 p.m.—Lunch at St. Ultan's Hospital, for Medical Women. Limited to 40.
*3.30 p.m.—Commencements at Trinity College, when Honorary Degrees will be conferred by Dublin University.
*4.15 p.m.—Garden Party at Trinity College.
7.30 p.m.—Annual Dinner, Gresham Hotel.

Friday, July 28th

9.0 a.m.—Reception Room open for Registration, Mansion House.
9.0 a.m.—Exhibition open, Mansion House.
9.0 a.m.—Pathological Museum, Historical and Hobbies Exhibitions open, Trinity College.
10.0 a.m. to 1.0 p.m. } Sectional Meetings, Trinity College and University College.
11.0 a.m.—Short Excursion for Ladies.
2.30 p.m.—Golf Competition for Treasurer's Cup at Dollymount Golf Links.
4.0 p.m.—Garden Party at Blackrock College, by His Grace the Most Rev. Edward Byrne, D.D., Archbishop of Dublin.
4.0 p.m.—Garden Party at Rotunda Hospital (limited to 250).
4.0 p.m.—Garden Party at Sunshine Home, Stillorgan.
4.0 p.m.—At Home at Sunshine Home, Stillorgan.
8.0 p.m.—Popular Lecture by Professor R. A. S. Macalister, M.A., D.Litt., at Royal Dublin Society Hall; "Footprints of History in Ireland."
*9.30 p.m.—Honorary Degrees will be conferred by the National University of Ireland, followed by Reception and Dance at University College.

Saturday, July 29th

10.30 a.m.—Visit to Countess of Wicklow Memorial Hospital, Arklow. Lunch at Avoca; visit to the Hospital; tea at Shelton Abbey, by kind invitation of the Earl of Wicklow.
10.30 a.m.—Excursion to Boyne Valley. Lunch at Navan, tea at Baltray.

On Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, July 26th, 27th, and 28th, visits to Peamount and Newcastle Sanatoriums, and to St. Mary's Orthopaedic Hospital, Cappagh, have been arranged. Visitors will be conveyed to and from the sanatoriums and hospital, and tea will be provided.

During the week visits will be arranged to the hospitals, National Museum, Gallery, Leinster House, Trinity College, University College, Cathedrals, Ulster Office of Arms, etc., and also to Messrs. Guinness's, Jacobs's, and Wills's.

* Academic dress will be worn at these functions.

IMPORTATION OF MOTOR CARS INTO THE IRISH FREE STATE

The motorist wishing temporarily to import a car to the Irish Free State will be well advised to seek the assistance of the Automobile Association or the Royal Automobile Club, as without this he is likely to encounter considerable trouble as well as delay at the ports of importation and exportation. Every motor vehicle is subject to Customs duty, and before importation may take place this must be deposited. Arrangements may, however, be made through one of the leading motoring organizations whereby a heavy cash deposit with the Customs may be avoided and a triptyque (Customs permit) may be obtained which will secure the entry and exit of the car without delay.

In addition to the formalities attendant on passing the Customs, it is necessary to comply with the Irish Free State registration and licensing regulations, and here again the services of one of the motoring organizations are almost indispensable, as without the international motor vehicle and driving permits which they are able to supply a motorist cannot use his car in the Irish Free State until he has re-registered it and obtained ordinary driving licences, as the British licences are not valid in the Free State.

Apart from these essential services, all arrangements for shipment are made, including the reservation of car space and cabin accommodation, the issue of passenger tickets and car freight vouchers, thus relieving the motorist of all responsibility and trouble once his tour has commenced. Uniformed officials meet the motorist at the principal ports in Great Britain and the Irish Free State, attending to all formalities on his behalf and thus ensuring that he is not inconvenienced in any way.

According to the route chosen for shipment the all-in cost of taking a car to the Irish Free State, including the issue of the requisite documents, etc., varies between £9 and £12, but this may be reduced by £2 if two passengers accompany the car on both the outward and return journeys.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

The following lists of hotels, private hotels, and apartments and their tariffs have been prepared to assist members of the Association in making their choice. The terms are for one person per diem, unless otherwise stated.

Intending visitors are requested to pay particular attention to the method of reserving accommodation in the hotels in List A, which differs from that to be followed with the hotels and apartments in the other lists.

In all cases early booking is essential as the accommodation and rates specified will not be available for members of the Association after June 30th unless definite reservations have been made by that date.

The position of each place mentioned is defined in relation to the Mansion House, where the Registration Room and Trade Exhibition will be situated. The Mansion House lies midway between Trinity College and University College, where the Sections will meet, and about a quarter of a mile distant from each.

LIST A.—*Hotels*

Name	No. of Rooms Available		Bed and Breakfast	Dinner, Bed, and Breakfast	Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, and Lunch
	Single	Double			
‡Bray Head	10	12	10/6	16/6	20/-
*Central	20	30	9/6	14/6	17/6
*Clarence	10	9	8/- (S) 7/6 (D)	11/6 (S) 11/- (D)	14/- (S) 13/6 (D)
*Dolphin	6	4	7/6	12/6	15/-
†Four Courts	10	20	8/6	12/6	15/6
‡Grand, Malahide	12	12	9/6	12/6	15/-
†Gresham	10	25	12/6	19/-	23/-
*Grosvenor	5	5	8/6	13/-	15/-
*Hibernian	35	20	14/6	20/-	22/6
*Jury's	10	29	9/6	14/6	17/6
*Moira	—	7	7/6	12/-	14/6
†Moran's	10	10	7/6	12/-	14/6
†North Star	4	16	7/6	12/-	14/6
‡Ross's, Dun Laoghaire	15	15	12/6	18/6	21/-
‡Royal Marine, Dun Laoghaire	10	20	12/6	18/6	22/6
*Russell	15	15	9/6	13/-	15/6
‡Salthill, Salthill	7	8	14/6	20/-	22/6
*Shelbourne	20	30	13/6	18/-	22/6
*St. Andrew's	10	6	7/6	11/-	13/6
*Standard (unlicensed)	10	15	12/- (S) 11/3 (D)	15/- (S) 14/3 (D)	15/-
*Wicklow	6	6	8/6	12/6	15/-
†Wynn's	10	20	10/6 (S) 9/6 (D)	14/- (S) 13/- (D)	16/6 (S) 15/6 (D)

* Within half-mile radius of Mansion House.
† Within one-mile radius of Mansion House.
‡ Hotels at seaside resorts near Dublin with convenient rail, tram, or bus service.

Arrangements have been made with Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son, Ltd., by which the hotels mentioned in the above list undertake to reserve for the members of the Association the number of rooms stated at the rates given above. In order to secure accommodation *at these rates* it is essential that reservation should be made *before June 30th with Messrs. Cook* (118, Grafton Street, Dublin, or any of their branches), and not direct with the hotel selected. The majority of the hotels have more expensive rooms, which may be booked, either with Messrs. Cook or directly. The fixed rates, however, only apply to reservations made with Messrs. Cook.

LIST B.—*Private Hotels*

Name	No. of Rooms Available		Bed and Breakfast		Dinner, Bed, and Breakfast		Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, and Lunch	
	Single	Double	Single	Double	Single	Double	Single	Double
†Belvedere Hotel, 1, North Great George's Street	—	10	7/6	7/6	11/-	11/-	12/6	12/6
*Carlton Hotel, 14, Harcourt Street	3	3	7/6	7/-	11/6	10/6	14/-	13/-
*County Hotel, 69–70, Harcourt Street	8	6	8/6	8/6	13/6	13/6	15/-	15/-
*Earlsfort Hotel, 25, Earlsfort Terrace	6	10	7/6	7/-	9/-	9/-	10/-	10/-
*Eastwood Hotel, 91, Lower Leeson Street	3	3	7/6	7/-	10/-	9/6	12/-	11/6
*Edenvale Hotel, 4, Harcourt Street	1	4	6/6	6/6	—	—	—	—
*Ivanhoe Hotel, 8, Harcourt Street	5	5	8/-	7/9	11/6	11/3	14/-	13/9
*MacDermott Hotel, 33, Harcourt Street	5	5	8/-	8/-	12/-	12/-	14/-	14/-
*Maris Hotel, 20, Lr. Fitzwilliam St.	5	7	6/6	6/-	10/-	9/6	12/6	11/-
*Pelletier Hotel, 20–21, Harcourt Street	6	4	7/6	7/6	10/6	10/6	12/-	12/-
*Power's Hotel, 47, Kildare Street	2	4	9/-	9/-	12/-	12/-	13/6	13/6
*Hotel Slattery, 22, Hatch Street	1	6	8/-	7/-	11/6	10/6	—	—
†Vaughan's Hotel, Parnell Square	5	10	9/-	8/6	13/6	13/-	15/-	14/-

* Within half-mile radius of Mansion House
† Outside half-mile radius, but within City boundary

In the case of private hotels in List B accommodation should be reserved by writing ***direct to the hotel*** prior to June 30th.

LIST C.—*Private Apartments*

Name	No. of Rooms Available		Bed and Breakfast		Dinner, Bed, and Breakfast		Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, and Lunch	
	Single	Double	Single	Double	Single	Double	Single	Double
*Mrs. Duncan, 21, Fitzwilliam Square	3	2	7/-	6/6	9/-	8/-	10/-	9/-
†Mrs. Ffrench, 20, Upper Mount Street	1	3	6/6	6/6	10/-	10/-	11/6	11/6
†Mrs. Gill, 18, Herbert Street	1	1	5/-	5/-	8/-	8/-		
*Miss Gordon, 11, Hatch Street	2	4	6/6	6/6				
†Mrs. Henry, 49, Upper Mount Street	3	7	6/6	5/6	9/6	8/-	12/-	10/-
‡Mrs. Latchford, 6, York Rd., Rathmines		1	3/6					
†Mrs. Lundy, Innisfree, Strand Rd., Sandymount	2	1	6/6	6/3	10/6	10/-	12/6	12/6
†Mrs. MacBride, Auburn, Herbert St.	4	4	5/-	5/-				
*Mrs. MacMahon, 20, Earlsfort Terrace		5	8/6	6/3	11/-	7/6		
‡Mrs. M. Markham, 28, Chelmsford Road, Ranelagh		3	5/-	9/-	8/6	8/-	10/-	9/6
†Miss Segrave, 16, Adelaide Road	3	3	7/6	7/6	11/-	11/-	13/-	13/-
*Miss Stoker, 32, Lower Leeson Street	1	3	6/6	6/-	9/-	7/6	10/-	8/-
‡Mrs. Vint, 6, Elgin Road	1	2	8/6	8/6	10/6	10/6	12/6	12/6

* Within half-mile radius of Mansion House.
† Within one mile radius of Mansion House.
‡ Over one mile radius of Mansion House, but within city boundary.

In the case of private apartments in List C accommodation should be reserved by writing ***direct to the proprietor*** prior to June 30th.

LIST D.—*Hostel*

Name	No. of Rooms Available		Bed and Breakfast	Dinner, Bed, and Breakfast	Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, and Lunch
	Single	Double			
Trinity Hall, Dartry Road	20	5	3/6	5/6	7/6

Accommodation in Trinity Hall is available for both men and women. The Hall is about two and a half miles distant from the Mansion House, with direct tram service. Accommodation should be reserved by writing to the Warden prior to June 30th.

Any requests for information should be addressed to A. Miller, Esq., Honorary Secretary, Hotels and Hospitality Committee, Royal College of Physicians, 6, Kildare Street, Dublin.

ACADEMIC DRESS

A limited number of robes, gowns, hoods, and caps of the two Universities and of the two Royal Colleges may be hired from Mr. Walter Conan, 44, Kildare Street, Dublin (National University, Royal College of Physicians, and Royal College of Surgeons), and Messrs. F. and E. Thompson, 14, St. Andrew Street, Dublin (Dublin University, Royal College of Physicians, and Royal College of Surgeons). Members who wish to hire robes from these firms are requested to make early application to them, as the number is strictly limited.

The robes, etc., of other universities and colleges cannot be supplied locally. It will therefore be necessary for members to obtain them before coming to Ireland. A large selection is kept by Messrs. Ede and Ravenscroft, 93–94, Chancery Lane, London, W.C.2, official robe-makers to the Association, or they may be obtained from the officially appointed robe-makers of the various universities and colleges.

Members bringing with them academic costumes for their own use, whether their own property or hired for the occasion, will have no difficulty as regards duty, as these will be classed as personal luggage. If, however, such robes should be sent by post or otherwise, they will be liable for duty. For this reason it has been impossible to arrange with Messrs. Ede and Ravenscroft to have a selection available in Dublin for hiring.

CLUBS

The following Dublin clubs have kindly offered to make a limited number of the members of the Association visiting Dublin honorary members during the period of the Annual Meeting:

Kildare Street Club.	United Arts Club.
Leinster Club.	United Services Club.
Stephen's Green Club.	University Club.

In each case application should be made in the first place to the Honorary Local General Secretaries of the Dublin Meeting, as it will be necessary for those who wish to avail themselves of the privilege to have their names submitted for election by the committees of the Clubs. Applicants are requested to mention, in order of preference, the names of two or three of these clubs. Honorary membership is confined to men, with the exception of the United Arts Club, membership of which includes men and women.

A number of golf, tennis, yacht, and other sports clubs will admit, as honorary members, members of the Association wearing their badges. Application for these will not be necessary. A complete list will be given later.

Association Notices

ELECTION TO CENTRAL COUNCIL

Professor A. H. Burgess of Manchester, having withdrawn his name as a candidate for election to the Central Council by the members of the Isle of Man and the Lancashire and Cheshire Branches, no contest arises in that group, as previously announced in the *British Medical Journal* of May 13th. Consequently no voting papers were issued to members of those Branches, and the remaining candidates, Dr. F. J. Baildon of Southport and Dr. R. Radcliffe of Oldham, are thereby elected members of the Central Council for 1933–4 unopposed.

G. C. ANDERSON,
Medical Secretary.

KATHERINE BISHOP HARMAN PRIZE, 1934

The Council of the British Medical Association is prepared to consider an award of the Katherine Bishop Harman Prize, of the value of £75, in the year 1934. The purpose of the prize is the encouragement of study and research directed to the diminution and avoidance of the risks to health and life that are liable to arise in pregnancy and child-bearing. Within this sphere competitors are free to select the work they wish to present.

Any medical practitioner registered in the British Empire is eligible to compete.

Should the Council of the Association decide that no essay submitted is of sufficient merit, the prize will not be awarded in 1934, but will be offered again in the year next following this decision, and in this event the money value of the prize on the occasion in question shall be such proportion of the accumulated income as the Council shall determine. The decision of the Council will be final.

Each essay must be typewritten or printed in the English language. It must be distinguished by a motto, and accompanied by a sealed envelope marked with the same motto, and enclosing the candidate's name and address.

Essays must reach the Medical Secretary (to whom inquiries may be addressed), British Medical Association House, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1, not later than December 31st, 1933.

SIR CHARLES HASTINGS CLINICAL PRIZE

The Sir Charles Hastings Clinical Prize, which consists of a certificate and a money award of fifty guineas, is again open for competition in respect of 1934. The following are the regulations governing the award:

1. The prize is established by the Council of the British Medical Association for the promotion of systematic observation, research, and record in general practice; it includes a money award of the value of fifty guineas.
2. Any member of the Association who is engaged in general practice is eligible to compete for the prize.
3. The work submitted must include personal observations and experiences collected by the candidate in general practice, and a high order of excellence will be required. If no essay entered is of sufficient merit no award will be made.
4. Essays, or whatever form the candidate desires his work to take, must be sent to the British Medical Association House, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1, not later than December 31st, 1933, and the prize will be awarded at the Annual General Meeting of the Association to be held in July, 1934.
5. No study or essay that has been published in the medical press or elsewhere will be considered eligible for the prize, and a contribution offered in one year cannot be accepted in any subsequent year unless it includes evidence of further work.
6. If any question arises in reference to the eligibility of the candidate, or the admissibility of his or her essay, the decision of the Council on any such point shall be final.
7. Each essay must be typewritten or printed, must be distinguished by a motto, and must be accompanied by a sealed envelope marked with the same motto, and enclosing the candidate's name and address.
8. The writer of the essay to whom the prize is awarded may, on the initiative of the Science Committee, be requested to prepare a paper on the subject for publication in the *British Medical Journal*, or for presentation to the appropriate Section of the Annual Meeting of the Association.
9. Inquiries relative to the prize should be addressed to the Medical Secretary.

BRANCH AND DIVISION MEETINGS TO BE HELD

DUNDEE BRANCH.—At University College, Dundee, Thursday, May 25th, 8.30 p.m. Annual meeting. Election of officers, etc.

EAST YORKSHIRE BRANCH.—At Hull Royal Infirmary, Friday, May 26th, 8.30 p.m. Annual general meeting. Election of officers, etc.

KENT BRANCH: ISLE OF THANET DIVISION.—At Granville Hotel, Ramsgate, Thursday, May 25th, 8.20 p.m. Annual general meeting. 8.45 p.m., Lantern lecture by Dr. H. Wacher: "The Medical History of the City of Canterbury."

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: KENSINGTON DIVISION.—At Princess Beatrice Hospital, Richmond Road, S.W.5, Tuesday, May 23rd, 8.45 p.m. (by kind invitation of the board of governors).

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: SOUTH-WEST ESSEX DIVISION.—At Wesleyan Schoolroom, High Road, Leyton, Tuesday, May 23rd, 3.15 p.m. Annual meeting. Mrs. Frances Ivens-Knowles, M.S.: "The Scope of Birth Control in Preventive Medicine."

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: STRATFORD DIVISION.—At West Ham Mental Hospital, Goodmayes, Tuesday, May 23rd, 3.30 p.m. Clinical meeting. Dr. J. H. Cuthbert will show cases.

NORTH WALES BRANCH.—At Bay Hotel, Rhosneigr, Anglesey, Wednesday, May 24th, 2.15 p.m. Papers by Dr. G. W. Joseph, Dr. J. A. Davies, Dr. J. C. Davies, and Dr. R. Picton Davies.

SOUTHERN BRANCH: PORTSMOUTH DIVISION.—At Kimbell's Café, Southsea, Wednesday, May 24th, 8 p.m. Annual dinner; members may invite guests. Tickets (10s.) from Dr. H. H. Warren, 24, Goldsmith Avenue, Southsea.

SUFFOLK BRANCH: WEST SUFFOLK DIVISION.—At West Suffolk General Hospital, Bury St. Edmunds, Sunday, May 28th, 11 a.m. Lord Horder's clinic.

SURREY BRANCH: REIGATE DIVISION.—At Laker's Hotel, Redhill, Wednesday, May 24th, 7.30 p.m. Annual dinner (7s. 6d., exclusive of wines) and annual general meeting. Election of officers, etc.

YORKSHIRE BRANCH: SHEFFIELD DIVISION.—At the Church House, St. James Street, Sheffield, Friday, May 26th, 8.30 p.m. Annual meeting. Election of officers, representatives, etc.

TABLE OF DATES

June 3, Sat.	Publication in *Supplement* of result of elections of Members of Council by grouped Branches, and of result of election of Members of Council and Representatives in Representative Body by Public Health Service members.
	Nomination Papers available (on application at Head Office) for election of 12 Members of Council by grouped Representatives (British Isles).
June 8, Thurs.	Names of Representatives and Deputy Representatives must be received at Head Office by this date.
June 22, Thurs.	Meetings of constituencies must be held between this date and July 20th to instruct Representatives.
June 24, Sat.	Publication of Supplementary Report of Council in *Supplement*.
July 5, Wed.	Other items for inclusion in A.R.M. printed agenda *must* be received at Head Office by this date.
July 21, Fri.	Annual Representative Meeting, Dublin.
July 22, Sat.	Annual Representative Meeting, Dublin.
July 24, Mon.	Annual Representative Meeting, Dublin. Council.
July 25, Tues.	Annual Representative Meeting: Annual General Meeting; President's Address, Dublin.
July 26, Wed.	Council. Meetings of Sections, etc., Dublin.
July 27, Thurs.	Meetings of Sections, etc., Dublin.
July 28, Fri.	Meetings of Sections, etc., Dublin.

G. C. ANDERSON,
Medical Secretary.

Meetings of Branches and Divisions

CALCUTTA BRANCH

The annual general meeting of the Calcutta Branch was held on January 18th at the Calcutta School of Tropical Medicine, when Major-General W. V. COPPINGER, I.M.S., was in the chair and twenty-eight members were present. The report of the Branch Council, the financial statement, and the annual report of the secretary were read and adopted. The following officers were elected for the year 1933:

President, Lieut.-Col. Sir Hassan Suhrawardy. *Vice-Presidents*, Lieut.-Col. W. L. Harnett, I.M.S., and Major J. C. De, I.M.S. *Honorary Treasurer*, Lieut.-Col. A. A. E. Baptist. *Honorary Secretary*, Dr. K. Banerjee. *Representative in Representative Body*, Lieut.-Col. Sir Hassan Suhrawardy.

At a meeting of the council of the Calcutta Branch on March 10th, Dr. M. N. De's letter suggesting that clinical meetings should in future be held in the Institute of Hygiene was discussed. It was decided to continue holding the meetings in the School of Tropical Medicine.

CAMBRIDGE AND HUNTINGDON BRANCH: ISLE OF ELY DIVISION

At a meeting of the Isle of Ely Division the following officers were elected for 1933–4:

Chairman, Dr. R. French. *Vice-Chairman*, Dr. H. L. Groom. *Honorary Secretary*, Dr. A. C. S. Waters.

The meeting nominated Dr. A. C. S. Waters for election as representative in Representative Body.

DORSET AND WEST HANTS BRANCH: WEST DORSET DIVISION

A very well attended meeting of the West Dorset Division was held at Dorchester on April 25th. Dr. M. J. SAUNDERS showed a series of Kodak medical films, which proved most interesting. Tea was kindly provided by the hospital authorities.

FIFE BRANCH

A very successful clinical meeting of the Fife Branch was held at Kirkcaldy on April 6th, when Dr. ORR presided over an attendance of about forty-five.

Professor D. K. HENDERSON gave an address on preventive aspects of mental illness, in which he summarized the latest scientific findings upon the nature of early mental disease. It was important to realize, he said, that mental illness could not be accurately differentiated, but that all its different forms had to be considered as personal reactions to difficult situations in the mental life of the person affected. He laid special stress on those types of mental illness occurring at the adolescent period. Although symptoms were important, they were apt to be misleading; more significance should be attached to the setting in which they occurred, to the type of onset, and to the constitution of the individual. Cases were reported which showed how emotional factors might produce physical symptoms. The actual tracing out of psychological factors was not a lengthy business so long as there was command of a satisfactory method of examination and of a technique.

The discussion which followed showed that great interest had been taken in the lecture. Drs. BOYD, BROCK, DOUGLAS, and DICKSON discussed various points, and on the motion of Dr. BALFOUR GRAHAM a vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer.

KENT BRANCH: BROMLEY DIVISION

A joint meeting of the Bromley Division and the Bromley Medical Society was held on April 19th, when Dr. D. B. WHITLOCK, vice-president of the Bromley Medical Society, was in the chair.

After supper Dr. A. G. MAITLAND-JONES gave an address on nutrition and the nutritional disorders of infants. The lecture was most interesting and informative, and was followed by a discussion. On the motion of the CHAIRMAN a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Dr. Maitland-Jones.

LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE BRANCH: BLACKBURN DIVISION

A meeting to which all practitioners in the area of the Division had been invited was held at the Old Bull Hotel, Blackburn, on April 26th. Dr. G. C. ANDERSON (Medical Secretary) gave an address on the work of the British Medical Association; this was followed by a general discussion.

A hearty vote of thanks to Dr. Anderson was carried unanimously.

LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE BRANCH: BURY DIVISION

A meeting of the Bury Division was held on April 28th, when Dr. HERD (Manchester) read a very interesting paper on the sterilization of the mental defective, and gave an unbiased discourse on the genetic and social issues involved.

On the motion of Dr. PARKER, seconded by Dr. CROMPTON, a vote of thanks was accorded Dr. Herd.

LINCOLNSHIRE BRANCH: HOLLAND DIVISION

A meeting of the Holland Division was held at Boston on April 7th. There was a good attendance, and after an enjoyable supper an address was delivered by Dr. J. STANLEY WHITE on some recent advances in endocrinology, with special reference to the sex hormones. Numerous lantern slides of great interest were shown, and at the conclusion of a highly instructive discourse the lecturer answered a considerable number of questions.

On the motion of Dr. E. M. BUTLER, seconded by Dr. J. M. KING, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Dr. White.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: HARROW DIVISION

A meeting of the Harrow Division was held at Mount Vernon Hospital, Northwood, on April 25th, when an extremely interesting demonstration was given by the staff on the treatment of cancer by radium. Many cases were shown. The visitors were then kindly entertained to tea by the matron.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: SOUTH-WEST ESSEX DIVISION

A meeting of the South-West Essex Division was held at Livingstone College, Leyton, on April 4th, when Dr. DOWLING was in the chair and fourteen members were present. A letter was read from the vice-chairman of the Connaught Hospital, in which he apologized for the wrong impression aroused by the report of his remarks made at the annual meeting of the hospital. He suggested that representatives of the Division might care to meet the hospital

council in order to discuss difficulties. It was decided that members and non-members wishing to contribute to a preliminary discussion should be invited to attend the next meeting on May 9th.

Dr. BURNETT RAE read a most interesting paper on "This Inferiority Complex." He pointed out that a true sense of inadequacy, which was an essential condition to progress, should not be confused with an inferiority complex. The causes of a true inferiority complex were sometimes physical, sometimes mental, and sometimes environmental. Relief from the inferiority complex was sought along the lines of (1) repression or partial repression, (2) dissociation, (3) evasion and unconscious rationalization. All these were unsatisfactory; the only true solution was acceptance of all the facts, right and justifiable feelings, reorientation to society, with due appreciation of the gifts and successes of others.

On the motion of Dr. JAYS, seconded by Dr. WATSON, a vote of thanks was accorded Dr. Rae.

SOUTH WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE BRANCH

A meeting of the South Wales and Monmouthshire Branch was held at Abergavenny on April 6th, when Dr. W. W. JONES presided and forty members were present. Dr. HERBERT EVANS read a paper on recent advances in the treatment of anaemia, and Dr. W. H. HASTINGS read another on radium therapy.

Dr. Evans first compared the two achlorhydric types—namely, pernicious anaemia and simple achlorhydric anaemia—which resembled each other superficially. The blood picture was, however, quite distinctive. He drew attention to the importance of the reticulocytes in pernicious anaemia in estimating the result of treatment. These cells were non-nucleated but striated, the striae diverging from a central point. For their demonstration they required to be stained with cresyl-blue *intra vitam*. As regards the treatment of pernicious anaemia, it was generally accepted that the specific antibody concerned was formed in the stomach and stored in the liver. It was destroyed by heat. Extracts of liver or stomach was now replacing the unpalatable raw material. It appeared that treatment had to be continued for the remainder of the patient's life. The addition of hydrochloric acid to the treatment did not seem to be necessary. Subacute combined degeneration of the spinal cord as a complication of pernicious anaemia had attracted a good deal of attention. Either or both of the sensory and motor tracts might be involved, and the symptoms varied accordingly. When the sensory signs predominated the clinical picture resembled that of tabes, but it progressed more rapidly and no pupil changes were present. Specific therapy did not seem to prevent it, but massive doses of iron had proved beneficial in some cases. This was rather remarkable, because this line of therapy was that adopted in simple achlorhydric anaemia, the minimal doses being 45 grains daily of Blaud's pill, or higher doses of the scale preparations of iron. Dr. Evans concluded that both types of anaemia represented deficiency diseases.

Dr. Hastings dealt with the technique of radium therapy, with special reference to the treatment of carcinoma of the tongue and cervix uteri. He gave details of the methods of application, dosage, and filtration. He said that the chief dangers arising from the use of radium within the mouth were secondary haemorrhage and necrosis of bone. The first could be obviated to a large extent by adequate filtration. Bone necrosis came on later, possibly many years after treatment; it was probably due to a slowly progressive endarteritis obliterans of the blood vessels and lymphatics. Details were given of the application of long needles to the tongue; the lecturer preferred these to the use of seeds. The needles were retained *in situ* for a week, and a few days after their removal the reaction began which should obliterate the lesion and restore mobility of the organ. The relatively good results of radium therapy in cervical carcinoma were due to the fact that it was possible to place radium in the centre of the growth and round its edge so as to secure homogeneous radiation. Moreover, the tumour developed in most cases from squamous-celled epithelium, and was thus very amenable to this form of treatment. Dr. Hastings considered that the Paris technique, introduced by Regaud, was as fruitful in good results as any other method. It should be followed by a course of deep *x*-ray therapy of the whole pelvic cavity through multiple fields.

SOUTH-WESTERN BRANCH: CORNWALL DIVISION

The annual general meeting of the Cornwall Division was held at Truro on April 20th, when Dr. E. C. EDWARDS was in the chair and twenty members were present. The following officers were elected for the year 1933:

Chairman, Dr. W. W. Rentoul. *Vice-Chairman*, Dr. A. G. Hardwick. *Secretary*, Dr. G. F. Burnell. *Representative in Representative Body*, Dr. A. Welby Haughton. *Deputy Representative in Representative Body*, Dr. G. F. Burnell.

A discussion on the county council maternity scheme then followed, the SECRETARY reporting that he had received several letters and had had conversations with members in which they had expressed dissatisfaction with the 5s. fee for examination and report upon uninsured pregnant women. The CHAIRMAN ruled that as this fee had been agreed to and accepted by the Division at a previous meeting he could not permit the proposal of any resolution rescinding this. He ruled that it was in order for any member to speak upon the mileage fee offered (3d. a mile both ways), whereupon Dr. TOOGOOD proposed that a letter be sent to the county council protesting against this fee, and suggesting one of 6d. The proposal was carried unanimously.

SOUTH-WESTERN BRANCH: TORQUAY DIVISION

A general meeting of the medical profession in the Torbay area was held on April 12th to nominate candidates for election as direct representatives on the General Medical Council. It was unanimously decided to nominate Dr. Christine Murrell and Dr. Ernest Ward.

A well-attended meeting of the Torquay Division was also held on April 12th, when Dr. E. M. MOLESWORTH was in the chair. The chief subjects discussed were: local measures in support of the medical charities; the arrangements made by the Public Assistance Committees for payment in respect of patients admitted to hospitals and operations performed upon such patients; and the desirability of urging the Association to take action to ensure the strict observation of income limits in hospital contributory schemes throughout the country.

SURREY BRANCH: KINGSTON-ON-THAMES DIVISION

A meeting of the Kingston-on-Thames Division was held on April 11th. Mr. ROWLEY BRISTOW gave a most interesting paper on fractures of the lower extremity. Numerous lantern slides were shown demonstrating the principles of reduction, and also the disastrous effects of certain types of non-reduction and bad splinting. The lecture concluded with a practical demonstration of the application of the Thomas splint on a living model.

On the motion of Dr. J. W. KEMP a hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Bristow.

YORKSHIRE BRANCH: LEEDS DIVISION

At a meeting of the Leeds Division, held on March 24th, when thirty members were present, Dr. W. MACADAM gave an address on the medical aspects of diseases of the thyroid.

Dr. MacAdam said that the thyroid readily underwent hyperplasia in constitutionally susceptible individuals, as a result of physiological, psychical, or septic stimuli. With removal of the stimulus one of three things might happen: average involution, when the gland returned to normal; hyperinvolution, when the secreting cells perished and left cysts filled with colloid; and hypo-involution, when areas of hyperplastic secreting tissues remained as miliary adenomata. In the light of this concept medical diseases of the thyroid might be divided into three classes. (1) Simple goitre (parenchymatous and colloid), a deficiency disease due to lack of iodine or to inability to use iodine, which appeared at puberty and made an extra demand upon the thyroid. To compensate the deficiency it underwent hyperplasia, producing the simple parenchymatous goitre. With the cessation of the physiological stimulus it either returned to normal or hyperinvoluted to the resting stage of colloid goitre. (2) Nodular goitre resulted when repeatedly recurrent stimuli, psychical or septic, prevented involution taking place and there remained areas of hyperplastic tissue. (3) Exophthalmic goitre or Graves's disease, characterized by hyperthyroidism plus dysthyroidism, appeared to be a disease *per se*. The treatment of simple goitre consisted in the supply of iodine. In the colloid stage, when the gland was exhausted and rest was required, thyroid and iodine should not be administered until reduction in size had resulted from the substitution therapy. No treatment was required in nodular goitre without hyperthyroidism, except removal of psychical stimuli and septic foci. In nodular goitre with hyperthyroidism—the so-called toxic adenoma—surgery was clearly indicated before the cardiovascular system became damaged; *x*-ray therapy was not successful in this condition. In the treatment of Graves's disease rest was the first essential, with the administration of iodine. In the crises iodine could be administered per rectum. The diet should be low in fat to prevent iodine absorption, low in protein on account of tissue stimulus action, and high in carbohydrate. Five units of insulin night and morning, guarded by one ounce of glucose, helped much in restoring tissue waste. Dr. ROWDEN took part in the discussion which followed, and, as one of the pioneers in *x*-ray therapy, insisted upon the use of *x* rays to the exclusion of surgery.

National Health Insurance

MEDICAL BENEFIT AND THE SEAMEN'S NATIONAL INSURANCE SOCIETY

The following statement will make clear the exact position of insurance practitioners in relation to insured persons who are members of the Seamen's National Insurance Society.

The Seamen's Society differs from all other approved societies in that it alone administers the medical benefit of its members, which for all other approved societies is administered through Insurance Committees. This special arrangement was introduced in the 1911 Act during its passage through Parliament, and applies only to approximately one-third of insured members of the Mercantile Marine—that is, those who are members of the Seamen's Society. The remaining two-thirds of the insured members of this service, being members of the National Seamen's and Firemen's Union and other approved societies, obtain their medical benefit in the normal way. It follows, therefore, that the obligations resting upon an insurance practitioner by virtue of his agreement with an Insurance Committee do not apply to any attendance on and treatment of a member of the Seamen's National Insurance Society, unless the society, taking advantage of provisions under the Act, has arranged with the appropriate local Insurance Committee for the administration of medical benefit to its members in a particular area. As this has not been known to occur it may be ignored. The Seamen's Society pays for medical attendance on any of its members by a fee per item of service upon a predetermined scale. Unless an insurance practitioner has intimated to the society his willingness to treat any of its members in accordance with the society's scale, or (if he has not so intimated his willingness) unless he renders an account to the society for treatment of one of its members in accordance with this scale, he may charge whatever he considers to be an appropriate fee, which is payable, if he so desires, at the time of attendance. In so doing he does not contravene any of the provisions of his agreement with the Insurance Committee, nor is he obliged to inform this committee that he has charged private fees, as would be necessary if the insured person so charged were a member of any other approved society. A practitioner charging private fees to a member of this society should not give any prescription on the official N.H.I. form. Nor should he make use of the official form Med. 40 in giving any certificate the patient may demand (in fact, if he charges private fees he would be ill advised to do so), notwithstanding any statement by the society that it is empowered to receive certificates in respect of its members on this form. For the information of those practitioners who do attend members of the society in accordance with the scale of fees printed on the back of the form usually handed to the practitioner by the member, it should be borne in mind that the scale is subject to a 25 per cent. addition as from January 1st, 1924, and a 10 per cent. deduction as from October, 1931. As the 10 per cent. does not apply to drugs, only 1/12 should be deducted from the accounts of doctors supplying drugs.

It is the Association's opinion that *all* insured seamen should obtain their medical benefit in the ordinary way through Insurance Committees. This view was endorsed by the Royal Commission on National Health Insurance (1926), which recommended:

"That the special arrangements under Section 63 (5) for providing medical benefit to the members of the Seamen's Insurance Society be discontinued, and that members of the society should in future receive their medical benefit under the normal arrangements."

The Commission reported that, having questioned the representative of the Ministry of Health (Mr. Brock) on the subject, it received the following reply:

"Since medical benefit was first instituted, the arrangements for the treatment of temporary residents and the recognition of the right of any insured person to treatment whether on the list of a doctor or not, make it, in our view, unnecessary to continue the exceptional treatment of the Seamen's National Insurance Society. A large number of foreign-going seamen are members of other societies, and, as far as I know, there is no evidence that these persons experience any difficulty in obtaining whatever treatment they need under the ordinary provisions of the Act."

In giving evidence before the Royal Commission the National Seamen's and Firemen's Union (the membership of which is almost exclusively composed of seamen of the Mercantile Marine) stated that:

"So far as we know, the ordinary benefits arrangements work as well for seamen as for any other section of insured persons. We do not remember receiving any complaint that any of our members could not get medical attention whenever it was required through any fault of the medical benefit arrangements. As far as our experience goes, there would appear to be no reason for any special arrangements regarding medical benefit for men employed in the Mercantile Marine."

Again, the Federation Committee of the Association of Insurance Committees, speaking on behalf of all Insurance Committees for the country, made the following statement before the Commission:

"In the early days of the insurance medical service there may have been some reason for separate arrangements, but in view of the modifications since made to meet the needs of temporary residents and travellers, and the development of the collective responsibility of insurance practitioners to provide treatment (including emergency treatment), the initial reasons no longer exist for the exceptional arrangements for members of this society which do not extend to persons in the Mercantile Marine who join other approved societies."

It would appear, therefore, that with the exception of the Seamen's National Society itself, everybody concerned with the administration of national health insurance considers that the normal arrangements for the administration of medical benefit through Insurance Committees should no longer be abrogated in favour of the members of this one society.

Subsequent to the publication of the recommendations of the Royal Commission in 1926, representatives of the Insurance Acts Committee of the Association met representatives of the Ministry of Health, and they were informed that legislative effect would be given to the above-quoted recommendation of the Royal Commission in the next amending Bill to be promoted in Parliament. On the publication of the text of this Bill it was found that the matter was not referred to. Nevertheless, the Insurance Acts Committee is continuing to press that the existing state of affairs should be remedied.

It may be asked why the Association so strongly advocates an alteration of the state of affairs so far as the administration of medical benefit under this society is concerned. Apart from the fact that the society's system violates the principle of "free choice" inherent in the National Health Insurance Acts, reference to a memorandum on the subject which appeared in the *Supplement* of February 13th, 1926, will reveal further points of objection. Briefly, that memorandum, based on official facts and figures, and including those submitted by the society to the Royal Commission, shows that, whereas the amount available out of national health insurance funds for the medical benefit of members of all other approved societies is spent wholly on medical benefit in the year in question, the amount so received by the Seamen's Society is not so spent, as illustrated by the following table taken from the memorandum.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Year	Number of Members of Seamen's Society entitled to Medical Benefit	Total Cost of Medical Benefit Administered by Seamen's Society	Cost per Member of Seamen's Society of Total Sum (Col. 3) Expended by Society on Medical Benefit	Average available Capitation per Insured Seaman according to Calculations in the 1926 Memorandum	Average Capitation available for Medical Treatment and *Drugs* per *ordinary* Insured Person
		£ s. d.	Shillings	Shillings	
1920	51,222	11,180 3 3	4.3	8.13	11/-+2/-=13/-
1921	51,036	13,879 14 7	5.4	8 18	11/-+2/-=13/-
1922	52,016	15,541 1 9	5.9	6.68	9 6+2/-=11/6
1923	53,804	15,709 19 4	5.8	6.68	9/6+2/-=11/5

It should be noted that the cost 4.3 to 5.8 shillings per member expended by the society includes services which are outside the range of general practitioner treatment, such as operations and specialists' and consultants' fees. Strictly speaking, therefore, the amount spent on a service comparable to that of the normal insurance service should be less than the figures quoted. Lastly, the Insurance Acts Committee has had reason to complain to the Ministry of Health that practitioners who have rendered accounts to the society strictly in accordance with its scale of fees in cases of prolonged illness have been requested by the society to accept in settlement of their accounts a lump sum smaller than the total charges based on the society's scale. As illustrative of the weakness of the society's position, it is understood that in some seaport towns practitioners are paid higher rates than the scale fees, owing to their joint refusal to admit the appropriateness of this scale to working conditions.

THE HOSPITAL POLICY

AN APPEAL BOARD FOR CONSULTANTS SCHEMES?—PAY-BEDS IN VOLUNTARY HOSPITALS.—HOSPITAL TREATMENT OF PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALLERS.—GENERAL PRACTITIONERS' ACCESS TO COUNCIL HOSPITALS

The Hospitals Committee of the Association met on the morning and afternoon of May 10th, under the chairmanship of Dr. Peter Macdonald, when several matters were considered and furthered.

The first to be brought forward was the question of setting up an appeal board in connexion with the scheme for providing certain classes of persons with the services of consultants and specialists at reduced fees. The Council had referred back a proposal that any practitioner aggrieved by the decision of the regional consultants committee concerning his eligibility for the panel should have the right of appeal to a central committee. It was pointed out in the committee that the consultants service in London had been operating for more than a year without the necessity of an appeal tribunal, and that the national ophthalmic treatment service, which covered the whole country, also embodied no such provision. It was agreed that until the necessity was shown to arise, as instanced by a certain amount of discontent, an appeal tribunal should not be recommended. A factor in this decision was the large size of the proposed regional areas, which, it was considered, went a long way to rule out any local prejudices (or the suspicion of such, which comes to the same thing).

With regard to the criteria for admission to the consultants list, it was felt in the committee that the third of the usual criteria—namely, that the applicant is generally recognized by other practitioners in the area as having special proficiency and experience in the subject—might be too loosely applied. The first and second criteria, relating to the holding of hospital appointments, and the undertaking of special study or engaging in practice in the specialism—are capable of exact determination, whereas the third leaves a wide field for option. It was the feeling of the committee that it ought not to be considered sufficient for an applicant to hand in letters from three or four practitioners, saying that they were in the habit of sending cases to him for a second opinion. Something more definite than this is visualized, and the attention of the Consultants Boards will be drawn to the need for careful scrutiny of applications which are based on this particular criterion alone.

It was reported to the committee in a letter from an absent member, Dr. Fothergill, that the Charity Commissioners, following upon representations from voluntary hospitals, were considering, with the Law Officers of the Crown, the introduction of a Bill to enable such hospitals, under given conditions, to alter their charters so as to permit them to use their buildings and funds for purposes for which they were not originally intended—that is, for provision of pay-beds. This has been forced upon the hospitals by the pressure of circumstances, but it requires that the position of the staffs should be safeguarded in these developments. Legislation on such lines, if not carefully watched, might make the position of the staff with regard to contributory patients very difficult. No Bill has as yet been introduced, but the committee considered that a close watch should be kept on any intending legislation.

The question of the treatment of professional footballers arose on a letter addressed to the committee from a London consulting surgeon, who referred to the practice of many professional football clubs of sending their players to hospital when in need of advice or treatment, including operation. In many of these cases transfer fees amounting to several thousands of pounds have been paid by the clubs in connexion with these players, so that the clubs are obviously capable of affording normal private fees for advice and treatment. It appeared from the experiences exchanged at the committee table that it is not unusual for professional clubs to send a player to a surgeon for private advice and to pay a consultation fee, and then, should he advise operation or a course of treatment, this is sought at some hospital where no operation or other fee for medical services has to be paid. A point to bear in mind is that the fact that these persons are engaged in a game does not in itself differentiate them from other persons engaged, say, in a dangerous trade, for whom the employer has liability. The committee instructed the Medical Secretary to approach whatever controlling bodies in the football world seemed to be most suitable, with a view to the investigation of the ground for complaint. What the committee had in mind was the illegitimate use of hospital services on a more or less charitable basis on behalf of "crack" players whose maintenance in fitness or rapid recovery from injury is a matter of extreme importance, represented by considerable sums of money, to the employing body.

A very complicated local controversy which had arisen in a Northern town over the question of the admission of general practitioners to treat cases at a council hospital occupied the committee for more than an hour, and the honorary secretary of the Division concerned kindly attended to outline what turned out to be not so much a dispute as a misconception in some respects of Association policy. It appeared that the medical officer of health had inquired as to the views of the Division on attendance by local practitioners on "municipal" or "assisted" cases in the council hospital, and the Division had stated that it did not desire such facilities in the case of these patients, but adhered to paragraph 30 of the Hospital Policy, which relates to attendance by practitioners on contributing and private patients. This attitude had been challenged by a town councillor, who was a medical man, though not a member of the Association, on the ground that it was not in conformity with the views of the Association as expressed by resolution of the Representative Meeting. The secretary of the Division explained that it was his Division's view that it would be highly undesirable for any fees to be paid in respect of services in the public wards, seeing that medical attendance was already provided by the rates, so that if any fee were paid on behalf of such persons, either directly by the public health authority or by the persons themselves, it would mean double payment, and would be resented both from the ratepayers' and from the patients' point of view. It appeared, however, that the Division had concentrated rather too much upon certain paragraphs of the Hospital Policy to the exclusion of others, and had not quite gathered the bearing upon the whole situation of the Association's proposals for a general medical service for the nation. In these latter it is not claimed that every practitioner would wish to follow his patient into hospital, but that there is a class of patient, irrespective of social status, which rightly comes within the general practitioner's sphere of activity, and that in many areas admission to hospital means loss of contact, to the disadvantage of patient and practitioner alike. After a very amicable and useful discussion, the divisional secretary undertook to have the position reconsidered, so that, the local authority

agreeing, freedom of the wards might be given to such practitioners as desired it, always, of course, under the supervision of the superintendent.

The committee had before it a memorandum by Dr. T. Gwynne Maitland, medical superintendent of the Cunard Steam Ship Company, on the treatment of workmen's compensation cases in hospital. The memorandum contained a suggestion that it should be recommended in the Hospital Policy that fracture clinics be established in both voluntary and council hospitals in industrial centres. The committee received the memorandum sympathetically, and considered that it made out a strong case for investigation. It was decided to ask for the observations of the Science Committee on Dr. Gwynne Maitland's memorandum.

Correspondence

PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT IN PUBLIC HOSPITALS

SIR,—Since qualifying a few years ago, and during my subsequent career as hospital resident, general practitioner, and consultant, I have observed with increasing shame and surprise (that it should be condoned), a certain practice, common in our profession, which seems to me to be dishonourable. I refer to the arrangement whereby a patient, in need of institutional treatment, but declaring himself to be too poor to afford a nursing home fee, may go to the private rooms of a member of the hospital honorary staff, pay him a sum of money, and expect him in consequence to use his influence to obtain for him preferential treatment, such as early admission, in a public hospital. I have seen hospital wards three-quarters full of these special cases, while other patients, more urgently ill, are awaiting beds which rightfully belong to them.

I know most members of honorary staffs dislike the system, but say they cannot afford to stand out against it alone. Surely this is a matter for the Ethical Committee of the B.M.A., if not for the General Medical Council itself.—I am, etc.,

Manchester, April 28th. HONORARY.

Naval and Military Appointments

ROYAL NAVAL MEDICAL SERVICE

Surgeon Commander (retired) E. B. Kenny to be Surgeon Captain (retired), seniority July 12th, 1930.

Surgeon Commanders G. H. Hayes to the *Carlisle*, as Fleet Medical Officer, on transfer of flag; M. B. Macleod to the *President*, additional for duties inside Admiralty, temporary; P. N. Button to the *President*, for course; F. C. Hunot to the *Defiance*; T. J. O'Riordan to the *President*, for course; W. G. Thwaytes to the *Malaya*, and as Squadron Medical Officer.

Surgeon Lieutenant Commanders R. G. Anthony to the *Cardiff*, on transfer of flag; J. Hamilton to the *Devonshire*.

Surgeon Lieutenant C. H. Egan to the *Carlisle*, on transfer of flag; P. B. Jackson to the *Titania*; C. J. Mullen to the *Victory*, for Royal Naval Barracks, Portsmouth.

To be Surgeon Lieutenants: A. D. Hepburn (Surgeon Lieutenant R.N.V.R.), J. A. Page, and C. G. Owen (for short service), and are appointed to the *Victory*, for Haslar Hospital, for course of instruction.

ROYAL NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

Probationary Surgeon Sublieutenant T. D. R. Aubrey to be Surgeon Sublieutenant, seniority May 19th, 1931.

R. J. Carr has entered as probationary Surgeon Sublieutenant, and is attached to the Tyne Division.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

Major H. C. Godding, M.C., is seconded for service under the Colonial Office.

Captain J. C. Coutts to be Major, July 4th, 1930 (substituted for the notification in the *London Gazette* of July 18th, 1930).

REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

Lieut.-Cols. W. Davis and H. St. M. Carter, D.S.O., having attained the age limit of liability to recall, cease to belong to the Reserve of Officers.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

Captain A. S. Pern to be Major.

Lieutenant B. McK. Dick, from active list, to be Lieutenant.

To be Lieutenants: J. R. Robertson (late Cadet Corporal, University of London Contingent, Medical Unit, Senior Division, O.T.C.); T. T. S. Hall (late Cadet Sergeant, Queen's University, Belfast, Contingent, Senior Division, O.T.C.).

TERRITORIAL ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS: ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

Captain A. A. Eagger, from active list, to be Captain.

COLONIAL MEDICAL SERVICES

D. Plum, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., to be Medical Officer, Kenya. Dr. J. L. Lochhead has resigned his appointment as Medical Officer, Nigeria.

APPOINTMENTS

OULTON, R. G. H., L.R.C.P. and S.I., Certifying Factory Surgeon for the Falmouth District, Cornwall.

MEDICAL REFEREES UNDER THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT, 1925.—G. F. Burnell, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., for the Falmouth and Truro, Helston, Newquay, Penzance, Redruth, and St. Austell County Court Districts (Circuit No. 59); G. Henderson, L.R.C.P. and S., and W. M. Dickson, M.B., Ch.B., for the Dunoon Sheriff Court District (Sheriffdom of Argyll); P. D. Thomson, M.B., F.R.C.S., for the Dingwall, Tain, and Cromarty Sheriff Court Districts (Sheriffdom of Ross, Cromarty, and Sutherland).

VACANCIES

ALL SAINTS' HOSPITAL (FOR GENITO-URINARY DISEASES), Austral Street, S.E.—R.H.S. (male).

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE DISTRICT INFIRMARY.—H.S.

BATH: ROYAL UNITED HOSPITAL.—(1) H.S. (2) O.P. and C.O. Males, unmarried.

BEDFORD COUNTY HOSPITAL.—(1) First H.S. (2) Second H.S. Males, unmarried.

BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND SKIN HOSPITAL.—Clinical Assistant.

BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY, FACULTY OF MEDICINE.—Professorship of Physiology.

BOLTON ROYAL INFIRMARY.—H.S. (female).

BOARD OF EDUCATION.—M.O.

BRISTOL: COSSHAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.—R.M.O. (male).

CHELSEA HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN.—J.H.S. (male).

DEWSBURY AND DISTRICT GENERAL INFIRMARY.—Second H.S.

DONCASTER ROYAL INFIRMARY.—(1) H.S. (2) C.H.S. Males.

EDINBURGH: ELSIE INGLIS MEMORIAL MATERNITY HOSPITAL.—District M.O. (female).

EDINBURGH HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN.—J.H.S. (female).

ELIZABETH GARRETT ANDERSON HOSPITAL, Euston Road, N.W.—(1) H.P. (2) Obstetric Assistant. (3) Three H.S. (4) Junior Assistant Pathologist. (5) Medical Registrar. (6) Surgical Registrar. Females.

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.—Assistant County M.O. (female).

HAMPSTEAD: CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.—R.M.O.

HOSPITAL FOR EPILEPSY AND PARALYSIS, Maida Vale, W.—Medical Registrar.

INSTITUTE OF RAY THERAPY AND ELECTRO-THERAPY, Camden Road, N.W.1.—Part-time M.O.

KING EDWARD VII HOSPITAL, WINDSOR.—Two H.S.

LEICESTER ROYAL INFIRMARY.—Resident Assistant Anaesthetist.

LIVERPOOL HAHNEMANN HOSPITAL.—R.M.O.

LIVERPOOL: ROYAL SOUTHERN HOSPITAL.—Hon. Assistant Orthopaedic S.

LIVERPOOL: WOMEN'S HOSPITAL.—H.S.

LONDON CLINIC AND INSTITUTE OF PHYSICAL MEDICINE.—Radiologist.

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.—R.A.M.O. (Grade I) at Park (Fever) Hospital, Hither Green, Lewisham (male, unmarried).

LONDON UNIVERSITY.—University Readership in Conservative Dental Surgery at Guy's Hospital Medical School.

LUTON: CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.—(1) Consulting S. (2) Consulting P.

MANCHESTER BABIES' HOSPITAL.—Senior R.M.O.

MANCHESTER CITY.—A.M.O. (male, unmarried) at Booth Hall Hospital for Children.

MERTHYR GENERAL HOSPITAL.—Resident S.

MEXBOROUGH: MONTAGU HOSPITAL.—(1) Senior H.S. (2) J.H.S. Females.

MILLER GENERAL HOSPITAL, Greenwich Road, S.E.—(1) H.S. (2) H.P. (3) C.O. (4) O.P. Officer. Males, unmarried.

NATIONAL HOSPITAL FOR DISEASES OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM, Queen Square, W.C.—H.P.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE: ROYAL VICTORIA INFIRMARY.—Medical Registrar.

NUNEATON GENERAL HOSPITAL.—H.S.

PLYMOUTH: CENTRAL HOSPITAL.—R.H.S.

PLYMOUTH PUBLIC DISPENSARY.—Hon. M.O. to start Child Guidance Clinic.

PLYMOUTH: SOUTH DEVON AND EAST CORNWALL HOSPITAL.—Two H.S.

ROCHESTER: ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL.—Resident Surgical Officer (male, unmarried).

ROYAL CHEST HOSPITAL, City Road, E.C.—P.

ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL, Gray's Inn Road, W.C.—(1) Three H.P. (2) Second H.S., with care of orthopaedic beds. (3) Third H.S. (4) Gynaecological H.S. (5) Obstetric H.S. (6) Resident Anaesthetist. (7) District Obstetric Assistant. Females. (8) C.O. (9) First H.S. Males.

ROYAL WATERLOO HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN AND WOMEN, Waterloo Road, S.E.—H.S. (male).

ROYAL WESTMINSTER OPHTHALMIC HOSPITAL, W.C.—Part-time Bacteriologist.

ST. HELENS HOSPITAL.—J.H.S. (male).

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL, W.—Medical Registrar.

SHEFFIELD: CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.—R.M.O. (male, unmarried).

SHEFFIELD CITY.—R.H.S. at King Edward VII Hospital, Rivelin Valley.

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA GENERAL HOSPITAL.—R.M.O.

SYDENHAM: SOUTH-EASTERN HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN.—J.R.M.O. (female).

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WAKEFIELD: CLAYTON HOSPITAL.—Two H.S. (males).

WARRINGTON INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY.—J.H.S. (male, unmarried).

WESTMINSTER HOSPITAL, S.W.—Assistant P. for Diseases of Children.

YORK COUNTY HOSPITAL.—H.P. (male).

YORK: NORTH RIDING MENTAL HOSPITAL.—R.A.M.O.

CERTIFYING FACTORY SURGEONS.—The following vacant appointments are announced: Stone (Stafford), Staveley (Derby). Applications to the Chief Inspector of Factories, Home Office, Whitehall, S.W., by June 6th.

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DIARY OF SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE

Section of Odontology.—Mon., 8 p.m. Annual General Meeting at Royal College of Surgeons, Lincoln's Inn Fields, W.C. Election of Officers and Council. Demonstration: Sir Frank Colyer will show new specimens received in the Museum during the past year.

Section of Medicine.—Tues., 5 p.m. Annual General Meeting. Election of Officers and Council.

Section of Therapeutics and Pharmacology.—Tues., 5 p.m. Annual General Meeting at National Institute for Medical Research, Mount Vernon, Hampstead. Election of Officers and Council. Demonstrations. Papers: J. M. Lees and M. S. Pembrey, Effect of Anaesthetics on Gastric Mobility; J. H. Gaddum, Some Vasodilator Substances obtained from Tissues.

Section of Comparative Medicine.—Wed., 4.30 p.m. Annual General Meeting at the National Institute for Medical Research, Mount Vernon, Hampstead. Election of Officers and Council. Demonstration by members of the staff of the Institute.

Section of Urology.—Thurs., 8.30 p.m. Annual General Meeting. Election of Officers and Council. Discussion: Perurethral Treatment of the Enlarged Prostate. Opener, Mr. J. Everidge, followed by Messrs. K. M. Walker, T. E. Hammond, T. J. Millin, E. W. Riches, and F. McG. Loughnane.

Section of Disease in Children.—Fri., 4.30 p.m., Cases. 5.30 p.m., Annual General Meeting. Election of Officers and Council. Conjointly with the Maternity and Child Welfare Group of the Society of Medical Officers of Health. Subject for consideration: Anaemia.

Section of Epidemiology and State Medicine.—Fri., 8 p.m. Annual General Meeting. Election of Officers and Council. Paper: Dr. James Watt, Heating, Lighting, and Ventilation of Hospital Wards.

ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL DERMATOLOGICAL SOCIETY, 49, Leicester Square, W.C.—*Wed.*, 4.15 p.m. Annual General Meeting, followed by Ordinary Meeting.

WEST KENT MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.—At Chiesman's Restaurant, Lewisham, S.E., *Thurs.*, 8 p.m. Annual Dinner and Dance.

POST-GRADUATE COURSES AND LECTURES

FELLOWSHIP OF MEDICINE AND POST-GRADUATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, 1, Wimpole Street, W.—*Maudsley Hospital*, Denmark Hill: Course in Psychological Medicine, afternoons. *St. John's Hospital*, Leicester Square: Course in Dermatology; clinical instruction afternoons and evenings; lectures daily at 5 p.m. *Queen's Hospital for Children*, Hackney Road: Course in Diseases of Children; all-day instruction. *Chelsea Hospital for Women*, Arthur Street: Course in Gynaecology, mornings and/or afternoons. *London Lock Hospital*, 91, Dean Street: Course in Venereal Disease, afternoons and evenings. *Hospital for Consumption*, Brompton: Sat. and Sun., all day, Week-end Course in Diseases of the Chest. At *Medical Society of London*, 11, Chandos Street, W.: Wed., 5 p.m., Lieut.-Col. R. H. Elliot, Lecture on Cataract Extraction (especially suitable for general practitioners). *Lambeth Hospital*, Brook Street, S.E.: Fri., 2 p.m., Demonstration of specially selected cases by Dr. G. F. Stebbing, assisted by the staff of the hospital.

HOSPITAL FOR EPILEPSY AND PARALYSIS, Maida Vale, W.—*Thurs.*, 3 p.m., Demonstration by Dr. Russell Brain, Vertigo.

LONDON SCHOOL OF DERMATOLOGY, St. John's Hospital, 49, Leicester Square, W.C.—*Mon.*, 5 p.m., Dr. H. Haldin-Davis, Drug Eruptions. *Tues.*, 5 p.m., Dr. A. C. Roxburgh, Differential Diagnosis of Some Common Skin Diseases. *Thurs.*, 5 p.m., Dr. A. M. H. Gray, Scleroma. *Fri.*, 5 p.m., Dr. W. J. O'Donovan, M.P., Tuberculosis of the Skin.

ST. MARK'S HOSPITAL FOR DISEASES OF THE RECTUM, City Road, E.C.—*Thurs.*, 4.30 p.m., Mr. J. P. Lockhart-Mummery, Incontinence of the Rectum.

ST. PAUL'S HOSPITAL, Endell Street, W.C.—*Wed.*, 4.30 p.m., Mr. C. H. Mills, Some Interesting Urological Cases with Demonstration and Radiograms of Pathological Specimens.

ST. PETER'S HOSPITAL FOR STONE, 10, Henrietta Street, W.C.—*Wed.*, 3 p.m., Dr. Cuthbert Dukes, Urinary Calculi, their Formation and Analysis.

SOUTH-WEST LONDON POST-GRADUATE ASSOCIATION.—At Battersea Mortuary: *Wed.*, 4 p.m., Sir Bernard Spilsbury, The Post-mortem Examination.

WEST LONDON HOSPITAL POST-GRADUATE COLLEGE, Hammersmith, W.—*Daily*, 2 p.m., Operations, Medical and Surgical Clinics. *Mon.*, 10 a.m., Medical and Gynaecological Wards; 11 a.m., Surgical Wards; 2 p.m., Eye and Gynaecological Clinics; 4.15 p.m., Lecture, Dr. Post, *X* Rays of the Chest. *Tues.*, 10 a.m., Medical Wards; 11 a.m., Surgical Wards; 2 p.m., Throat Clinic; 4.15 p.m., Lecture, Mr. Tyrrell Gray, Surgery of the Upper Abdomen. *Wed.*, 10 a.m., Medical and Children's Wards; 2 p.m., Eye Clinic; 4 p.m., Lecture, Dr. Carter Braine, *X*-Ray Therapy. *Thurs.*, 10 a.m., Neurological Clinic; 11 a.m., Fracture Clinic; 2 p.m., Eye and Genito-Urinary Clinics. *Fri.*, 10 a.m., Skin Clinic; 12 noon, Lecture on Treatment; 2 p.m., Throat Clinic; 4.15 p.m., Lecture, Mr. Green-Armytage, Gynaecological Disease—the Result of Obstetrics. *Sat.*, 10 a.m., Medical and Surgical Wards, Children's and Surgical Clinics. The lectures at 4.15 p.m. are open to all medical practitioners without fee.

ABERDEEN MEDICAL SCHOOL.—At *X*-Ray Department, Royal Aberdeen Hospital for Sick Children: *Tues.* and *Thurs.*, 3.15 p.m., Dr. J. R. Levack, Radiology of Diseases of Children; Dr. A. C. Fowler, Radiological Demonstration of Cases.

DUNDEE ROYAL INFIRMARY.—*Tues.*, 3.15 p.m., Dr. G. L. Montgomery, The Laboratory Diagnosis of Diabetes; Mr. F. R. Brown, Orthopaedic Cases.

GLASGOW POST-GRADUATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.—At Royal Infirmary: *Wed.*, 4.15 p.m., Mr. Arthur Jacobs, Urology.

LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY CLINICAL SCHOOL ANTE-NATAL CLINICS.—Royal Infirmary: *Mon.* and *Thurs.*, 10.30 a.m. Maternity Hospital: *Mon.*, *Tues.*, *Wed.*, *Thurs.*, and *Fri.*, 11.30 a.m.

MANCHESTER ROYAL INFIRMARY.—*Tues.*, 4.15 p.m., Dr. D. Dougal, The Physiology of Menstruation. *Fri.*, 4.15 p.m., Dr. P. R. Mumford, Dermatological Cases.

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Diary of Central Meetings

MAY

19	Fri.	Committee on Medical Education, 2 p.m.
		Dominions Committee, 2.30 p.m.
24	Wed.	Finance Committee, 2.30 p.m.
		Physical Medicine Group Committee, 11.45 a.m.
26	Fri.	Public Assistance Medical Service Committee, 2.30 p.m.

JUNE

1	Thurs.	Insurance Acts Remuneration Subcommittee, 2.30 p.m.
2	Fri.	Committee on Existing Mental Health Activities, 2 p.m.
7	Wed.	**Council**, 10 a.m.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

The charge for inserting announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths is 9s., which sum should be forwarded with the notice not later than the first post on Tuesday morning, in order to ensure insertion in the current issue.

BIRTHS

BARBER.—On May 12th, to Beryl (née Davies), wife of Leonard Barber, M.B., B.S., D.P.M., of Fishponds, Bristol, a daughter.

LOVE.—On May 14th, at Woodville, near Burton-on-Trent, to Peggy (née Lambert), wife of W. Griffith Love, M.B., Ch.B., a daughter.

DEATH

COOK.—On May 11th, 1933, of septicaemia, at Kaduna, Norman E. Cook, M.B., B.S., D.T.M. and H.Eng., of C.M.S. Hospital, Zaria, N. Nigeria, husband of Clarice Cook and second son of Dr. and Mrs. J. Howard Cook of West Hampstead.

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